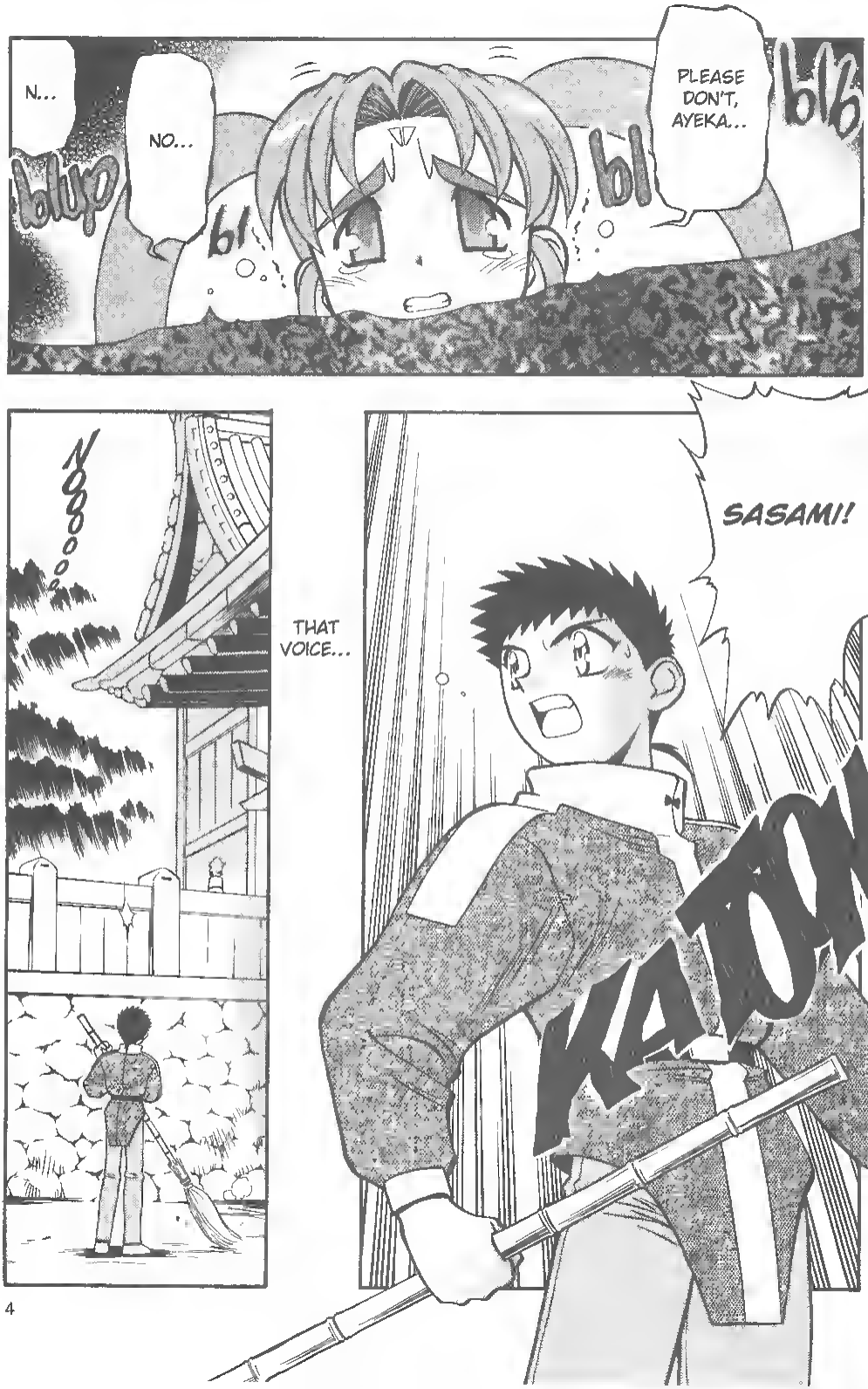
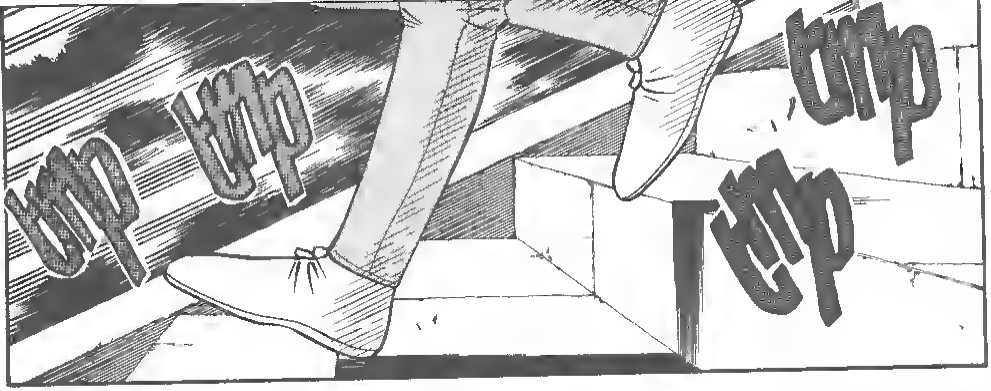

N...
NO...
PLEASE DON'T, AYEKA...
blup
bl
blb
NOOOOO
THAT VOICE...
SASAMI!
KATOM

N-NO! WHAT IS THIS?!
A-AYEKA!
bloop
BWOOP
M-MY LEGS ARE SINKING...!
IT'S ALL RIGHT, SASAMI... JUST RELAX AND LET YOURSELF GO.
SEE, I'M GOING WITH YOU.
blup blp
blblp
A-AYEKA?!
bloop
bloop
bloop
bloop
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT A THING.
LORD GARYU IS GOING TO SAVE US FROM TENCHI MASAKI...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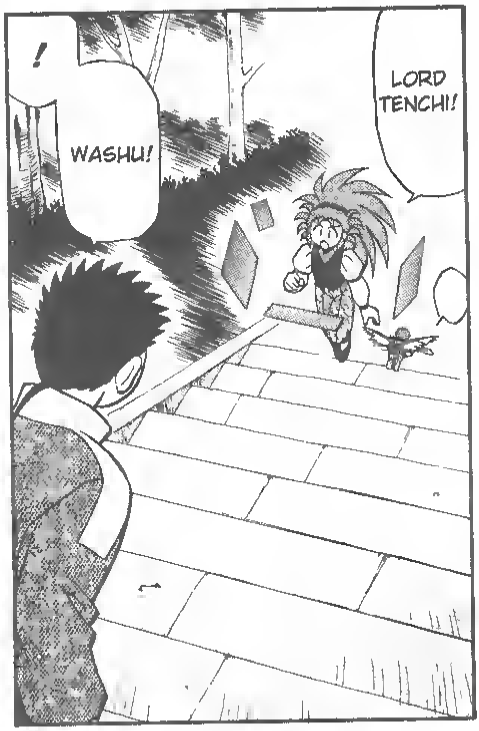
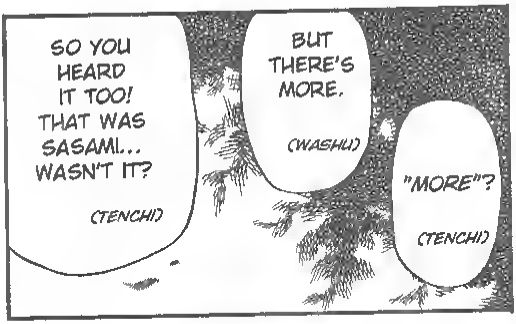
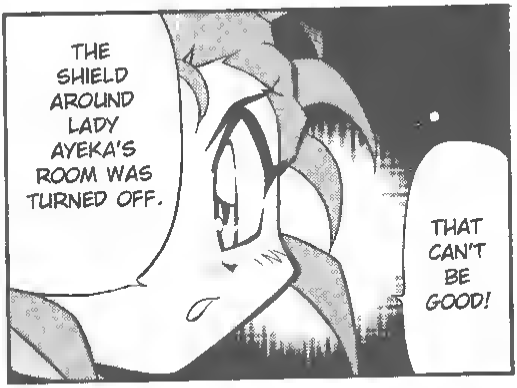
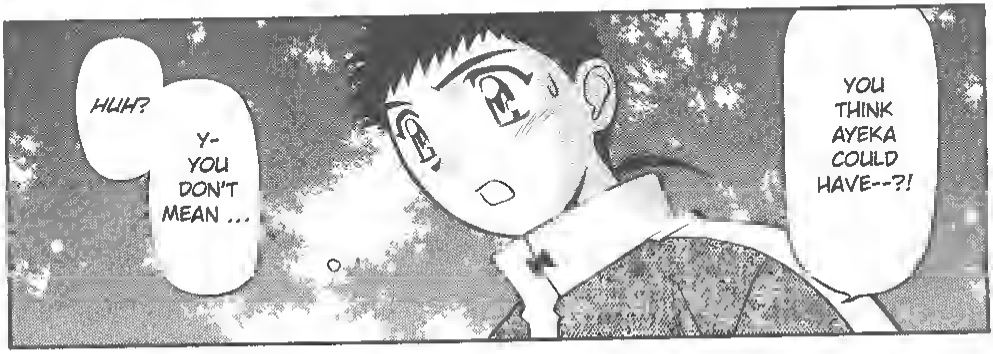
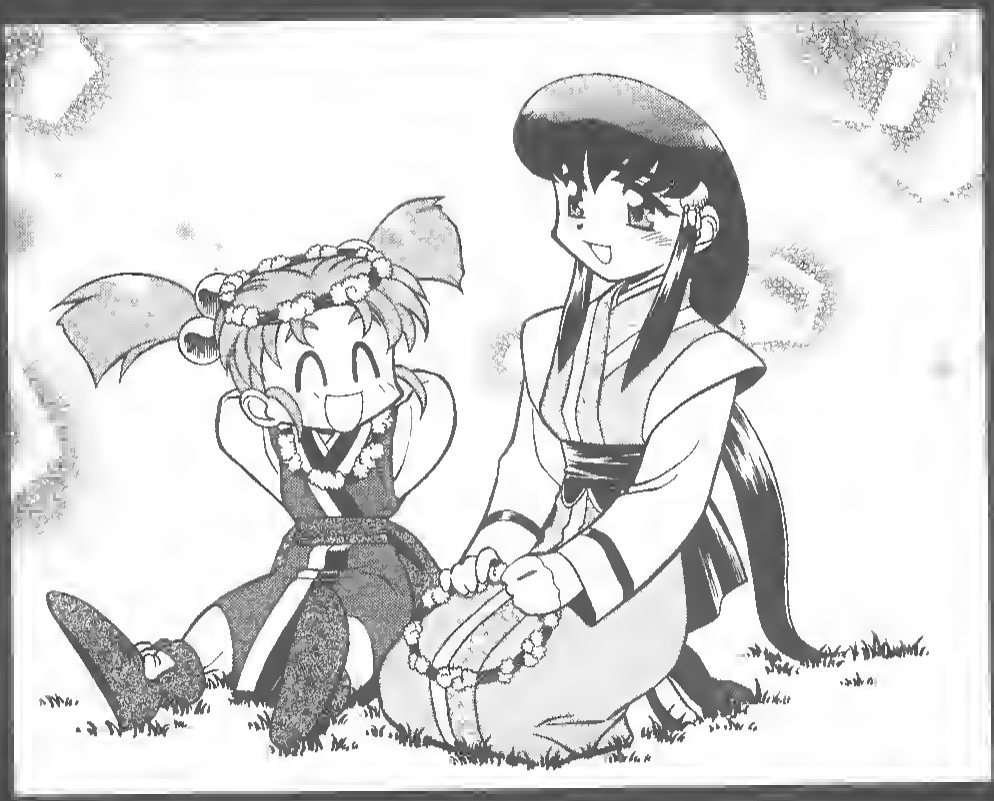

!
WASHU!
LORD TENCHI!


SO YOU HEARD IT TOO! THAT WAS SASAMI... WASN'T IT?
(TENCHI)
BUT THERE'S MORE.
(WASHU)
"MORE"?
(TENCHI)

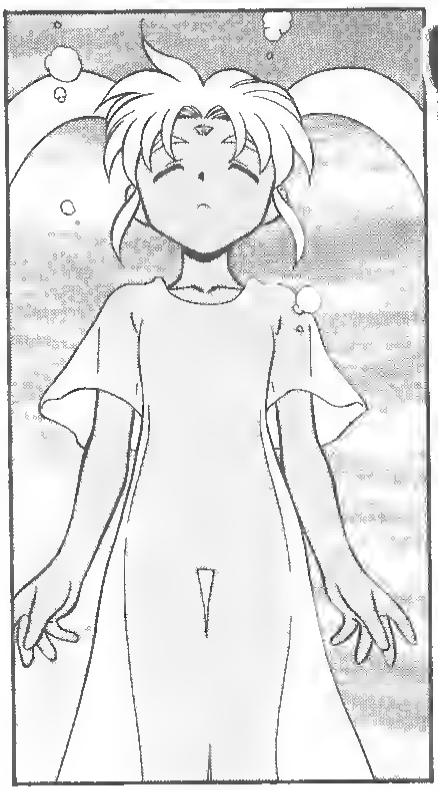

THE SHIELD AROUND LADY AYEKA'S ROOM WAS TURNED OFF.
THAT CAN'T BE GOOD!

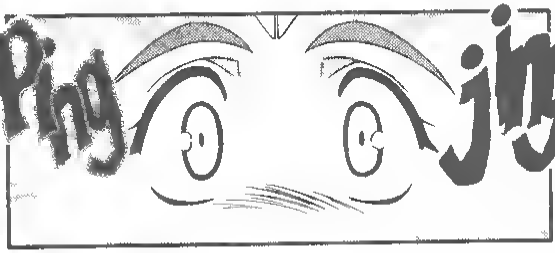

HUH?
Y- YOU DON'T MEAN ...
YOU THINK AYEKA COULD HAVE--?!

Tales of Tenchi #1: CAPTIVE



WHY CAN'T SHE BE BRAIN-WASHED?!

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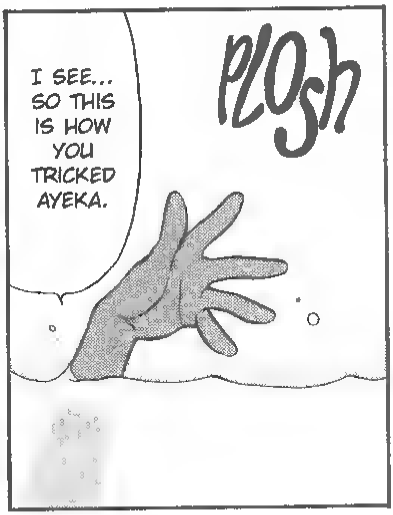

I SEE... SO THIS IS HOW YOU TRICKED AYEKA.
PLOSH

rumb
rumb
SLAM
WH...
WHY?!

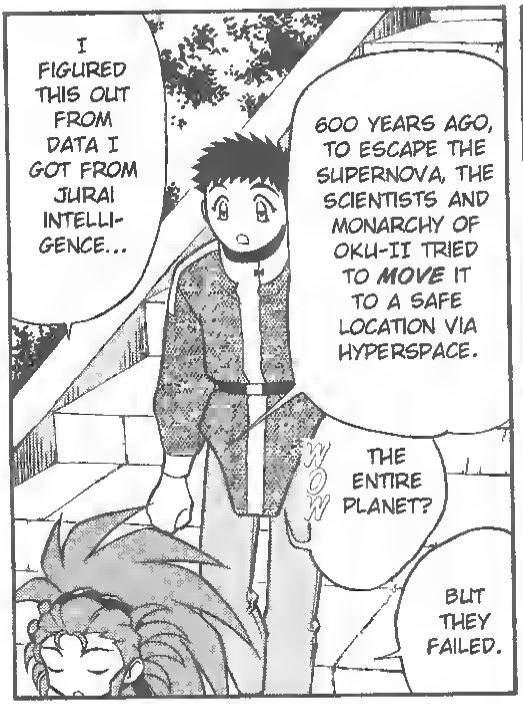
LOOKS LIKE IT'S HERE ALL RIGHT.
"HERE"...? WHERE I JUST PASSED OVER...?
YES. THIS IS WHERE LADY AYEKA'S READING DISAPPEARED.
I PLANTED A TRACER, JUST IN CASE.
SEE? RYO-OH-KI'S SAYING THAT SASAMI'S TRACKS ALSO BREAK OFF HERE.
MYA-MEOW! MREOW!
WASHU, WHAT IS GOING ON...?
LORD TENCHI, LISTEN CAREFULLY.
I THINK THAT WE'VE BEEN INTENTIONALLY MISLED.

BUT WHY DO THIS...?
KA
SH
WHY ARE YOU DOING SUCH AN AWFUL THING?!
GET HER BACK THE WAY SHE USED TO BE!

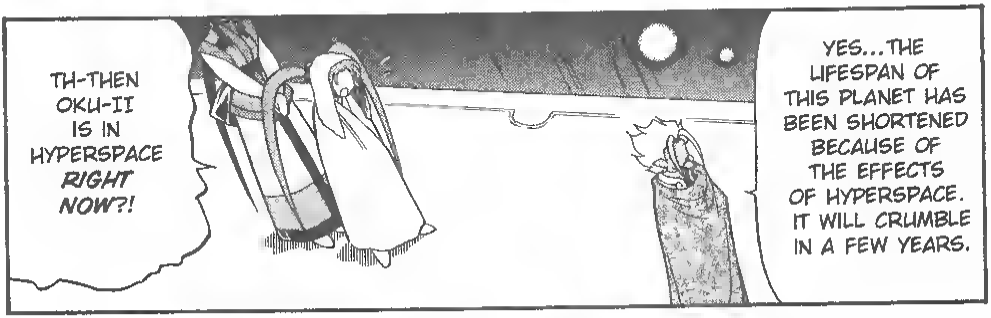
.....
THE TECHNIQUES I USED WITH AYEKA ARE DOING NOTHING TO HER!
FINE. ALL I WANTED WAS FOR AYEKA NOT TO FEEL SAD...
REASON ENOUGH TO HAVE HER BRING SASAMI HERE.

AYEKA, PLEASE! WAKE UP!
!
MY DEAR LITTLE SISTER...
DON'T WORRY... LEAVE EVERYTHING TO LORD GARYU...
GWON
PLEASE! TURN HER BACK!
TAKE US BACK HOME!

LADY AYEKA, WHOM WE THOUGHT WAS ONLY MISSING, SUDDENLY TURNED UP IN SPACE AND ATTACKED LADY MIHOSHI. THEN *WE* WERE ATTACKED WHERE OKU-II USED TO BE. SO WE JUMPED TO A LOT OF CONCLUSIONS.
TRY TO THINK BACK.
MIS-LED...?
THAT'S RIGHT! THE *KEY* TO *EVERYTHING*-- IS *RIGHT HERE*!
BUT LADY AYEKA VANISHED FROM *THIS* AREA BOTH TIMES...
OH...!
GARYU...WE *ASSUMED* HE CAME FROM OUTER SPACE, DIDN'T WE?
WELL, YEAH... WE DID.


I FIGURED THIS OUT FROM DATA I GOT FROM JURAI INTELLI-GENCE...
600 YEARS AGO, TO ESCAPE THE SUPERNOVA, THE SCIENTISTS AND MONARCHY OF OKU-II TRIED TO MOVE IT TO A SAFE LOCATION VIA HYPERSPACE.
NOW
THE ENTIRE PLANET?
BUT THEY FAILED.

FAILED?
THEY ENTERED HYPERSPACE, SURE--BUT THEY DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH ENERGY TO GET OUT...
LOST IN SPACE. GET IT?


TH-THEN OKU-II IS IN HYPERSPACE RIGHT NOW?!
YES...THE LIFESPAN OF THIS PLANET HAS BEEN SHORTENED BECAUSE OF THE EFFECTS OF HYPERSPACE. IT WILL CRUMBLE IN A FEW YEARS.

EVERYONE ABANDONED THE PLANET... AND ONLY I REMAINED.
WHY...?!
WHY NOT ESCAPE WITH THE OTHERS?!

THAT...
...I CANNOT DO!

WHY... WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?
heh
YES... YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO KNOW.
THE NAME OF THIS PLACE IS OKU-II...
HUH?! OKU-II... WASN'T THAT THE PLANET THAT DISAPPEARED 600 YEARS AGO...?!
?!
NOT QUITE.
THERE'S MORE TO IT...
OKU-II DID NOT "DISAPPEAR"-- IT WAS MOVED!

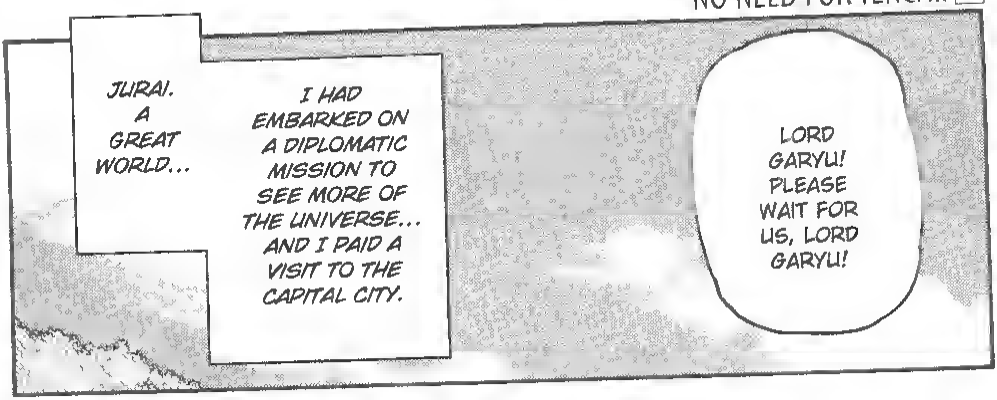
SHE HAS A LOT TO DO WITH IT.
AYEKA WILL MEET THIS PLANET'S DEMISE AT MY SIDE.
WHA?!
I HAVE ONLY ONE WISH...
ALL I NEED-- IS FOR AYEKA TO BE MINE!
!

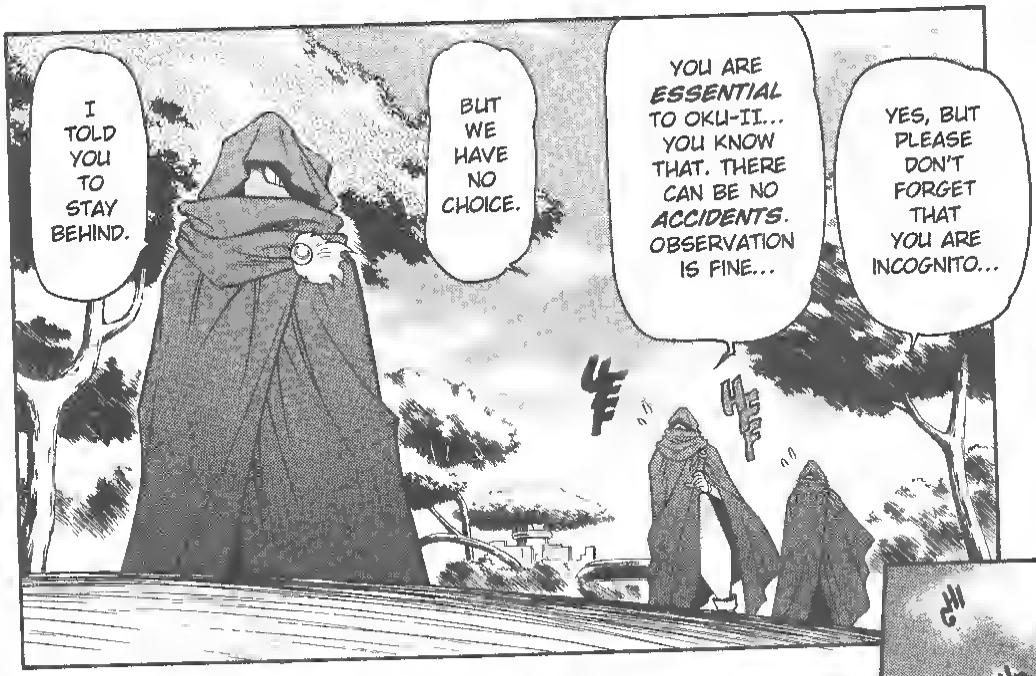
HOW COULD I?! I AM THE PRINCE OF THIS PLANET!
MY FATE MUST BE ONE WITH THAT OF MY MOTHER-LAND!
NO NEED TO GROWL
WHAT DOES AYEKA HAVE TO DO WITH ANY OF THIS?!
I THINK I SEE...
I HAVE NO RIGHT TO MEDDLE...
BUT...
PLEASE! JUST TURN HER BACK!

700 YEARS AGO, I MADE A VISIT TO YOUR PLANET, JURAI...
YOU SEE...
JUST LIKE AYEKA, WHEN SHE WAS YOUNG...
HEH... YOU'RE JUST LIKE HER...
HUH?

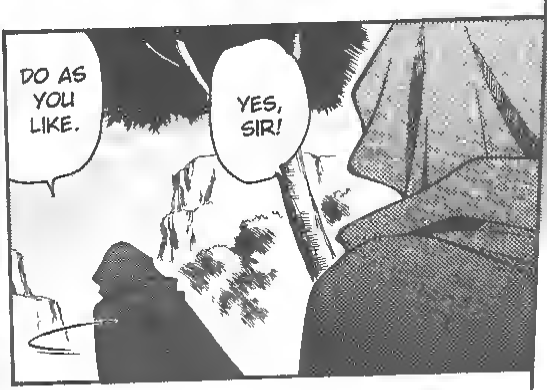
SASAMI!
.....
STOP IT RIGHT NOW!
AYEKA'S LIFE BELONGS TO *HER*-- AND HER ALONE!
NOBODY HAS THE RIGHT TO CHANGE WHO SHE IS, NO MATTER WHAT!

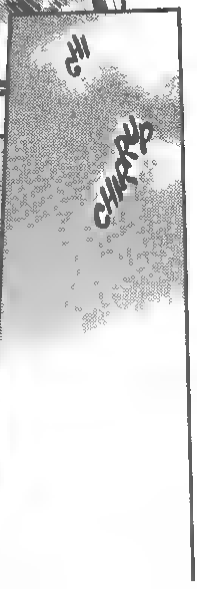
LOOK AT THE SAD EXCESS OF PLANTS ON THIS PLANET.
IT MAY SEEM RUSTIC...
...BUT THAT IS THIS WORLD'S SPECIAL CHARM.
...
OH!
tweet
THESE PEOPLE LIVE SYMBIOTICALLY WITH THE TREES...
RUBBISH!
A FACTORY COULD MORE EFFICIENTLY TURN CARBON DIOXIDE INTO OXYGEN.
BESIDES, THEY TAKE UP TOO MUCH SPACE...
twitter


JURAI. A GREAT WORLD...
I HAD EMBARKED ON A DIPLOMATIC MISSION TO SEE MORE OF THE UNIVERSE... AND I PAID A VISIT TO THE CAPITAL CITY.
LORD GARYU! PLEASE WAIT FOR US, LORD GARYU!


I TOLD YOU TO STAY BEHIND.
BUT WE HAVE NO CHOICE.
YOU ARE ESSENTIAL TO OKU-II... YOU KNOW THAT. THERE CAN BE NO ACCIDENTS. OBSERVATION IS FINE...
YES, BUT PLEASE DON'T FORGET THAT YOU ARE INCOGNITO...
HEE
HEE

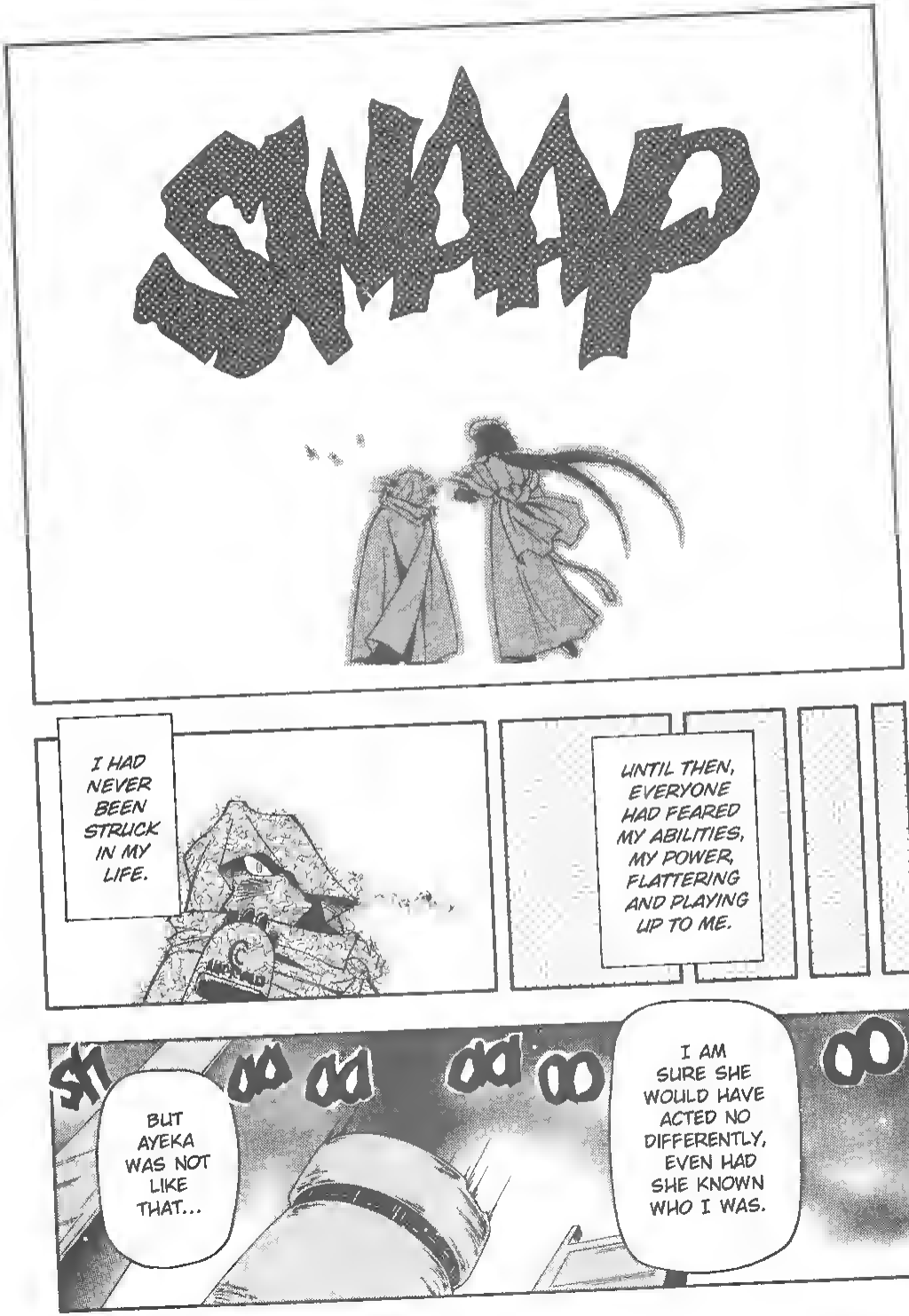
.....


DO AS YOU LIKE.
YES, SIR!

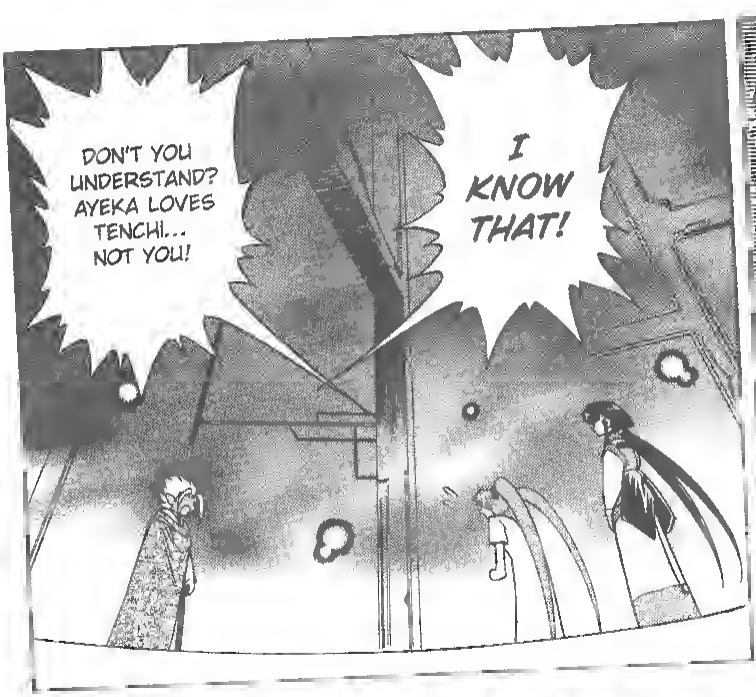

HE
CHUCKLE

SLASH
tch tch
!!
PRINCE!
ARE YOU HURT?
.....
LET'S GO.
YES.
WAAAH
WAAAH
tsh
STOP!!
YES... THAT...
!

. . .WAS WHEN I FIRST MET AYEKA.
Tales of Tenchi #2:
SELFISHNESS


SWAP
I HAD NEVER BEEN STRUCK IN MY LIFE.
UNTIL THEN, EVERYONE HAD FEARED MY ABILITIES, MY POWER, FLATTERING AND PLAYING UP TO ME.
BUT AYEKA WAS NOT LIKE THAT...
I AM SURE SHE WOULD HAVE ACTED NO DIFFERENTLY, EVEN HAD SHE KNOWN WHO I WAS.

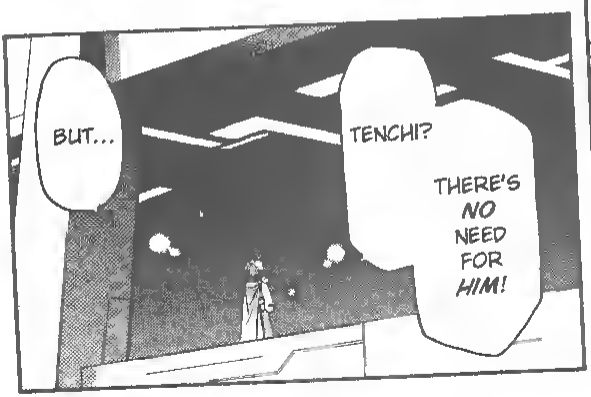
THIS BIRD, THIS INNOCENT LIFE...IT HAD SUDDENLY COME TOWARDS YOU, SO WE SHALL STRETCH OUR IMAGINATION AND SAY IT WAS AN INEVITABLE ACCIDENT.
BUT...
...HAVE YOU NO WORDS OF APOLOGY TO THIS LITTLE GIRL, ITS OWNER?
HER DIGNIFIED VOICE, HER RESOLUTE DEMEANOR... I FALTERED FOR A MOMENT...
...SENSING WITHIN HER SUCH STRENGTH AND PRESENCE-- POWER I HAD NEVER FELT BEFORE, NOT EVEN FROM FATHER.
NO. I THINK NOT.
grrr
ZASH
!


DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND? AYEKA LOVES TENCHI... NOT YOU!
I KNOW THAT!

WHAT?
UH?
BUT...
TH-THEN WHY?

THE BRAINWASHING SHOULD HAVE BEEN PERFECT, YET, FOR SOME REASON, I COULD REMOVE NEITHER YOU NOR TENCHI MASAKI FROM WITHIN HER HEART, HER MIND.
MMM
YOU ARE BLOOD KIN...
I WILL LET YOU LIVE.

SHE WILL KILL TENCHI WITH HER OWN HANDS!
AND THEN I SHALL UTTERLY ERASE HIS EXISTENCE FROM THE DEPTHS OF HER PSYCHE!


BUT...
TENCHI?
THERE'S NO NEED FOR HIM!

IN THE 700 YEARS SINCE, I HAVE NEVER ONCE STOPPED THINKING ABOUT AYEKA...
THE DAY GROWS NIGH WHEN OKU-II, TO WHICH I HAVE GIVEN MY LIFE, WILL CEASE TO EXIST!
REFLECTING UPON THIS, I CAME TO REALIZE THAT ONLY WITH AYEKA BY MY SIDE COULD I FACE ITS FINAL MOMENTS...
HATE ME IF YOU WILL!
I WILL NOT CHANGE MY MIND!
NO, NO, NO!
YOU CAN'T!

YOU...
THEN YOU ARE...
NO! IT *CAN'T* BE! *YOU* ARE TSUNAMI, THE FIRST JURAI TREE?!

!!
I WON'T LET YOU DO THAT!
NO
I...
I WON'T...
gwm
!!

RYOKO!
A-ARE YOU ALL OKAY NOW?!
...!
HER WOUNDS WEREN'T EVEN HEALED...
OF COURSE I'M OKAY! THE PLOT JUST KEEPS THICKENING WITHOUT ME, AND I WAS JUST TAKING A LITTLE BREATHER!
THE MAIN CHARACTER ALMOST MISSED HER CHANCE IN THE LIMELIGHT!
BESIDES, IF I DIDN'T GO ALONG TO HELP, AYEKA WOULD NEVER STOP NAGGING ME ABOUT IT.
mog mog
I KNEW IT! DEMON GIRLS!
YOU HAVE NO HEART AT ALL
OH!
WELL, YEAH

RMMMMMM
!
rmmmm
THERE GOES ONE MORE...
WASHU, IS THIS QUAKE ALSO...
YES, IT'S RATIONAL TO THINK THAT THE TWO ARE RELATED.
MORE AND MORE OFTEN, TOO!
WE OUGHT TO BE QUICK.
C'MON. LET'S GO.
WAIT ONE MINUTE!
tup

THE FIRST AND MOST POWERFUL TREE IN THE UNIVERSE!
I-IS THIS THE GODLY PRESENCE OF JURAI'S TREE OF BEGINNINGS?!*
N-NO! I CANNOT FALL BACK NOW!
S-SILENCE, SILENCE, SILENCE!
I WILL MAKE MY WISH REALITY!
I ACCEPT ORDERS FROM NO ONE...

*SEE OAV VOL.9 FOR DETAILS ON SASAMI AND TSUNAMI'S RELATIONSHIP.

Hmp
YOU KNOW BETTER THAN THIS. YOU AREN'T BACK AT FULL POWER YET...
...SO WHY?
DUH. YOU KNOW ME BY NOW.
Heh
YEAH...
I WANT A LIFE WITH NO REGRETS!

ZZOT
IMPOSSIBLE! SHE FORCED OPEN A HYPERSPACE CHANNEL!?
I--IT CAN'T BE!
VEEOOOO
...IS THAT YOUNG MAN!

LORD GARYU. YOU CAN'T...
...NOT EVEN IF I MAKE A GOD MY ENEMY!
I SEE. EVEN IF I STOPPED YOU HERE, YOU WOULD SEEK OUT LADY AYEKA AGAIN...AND AGAIN...
!
THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN TRULY STOP YOU...
SMASH

THOUGH IT LOOKS LIKE IT SHALL BE A *BITTER* BATTLE...

T-TENCHI AND THE GANG--THEY'RE *GONE*.

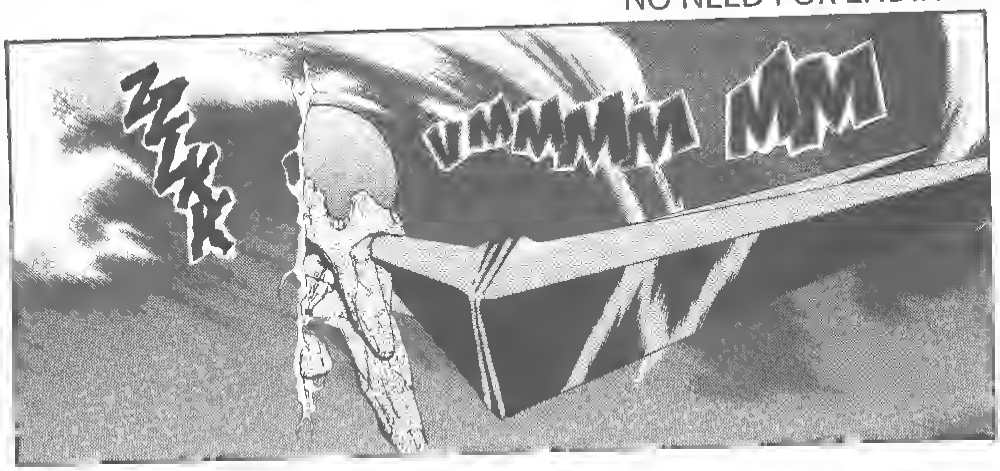
NO NEED FOR PANIC, NOBUYUKI! TENCHI AND THE OTHERS HAVE LEFT TO CUT OFF THE SOURCE OF THESE EARTHQUAKES.

HUH? THE *SOURCE*... OF THE EARTH-QUAKES?

CORRECT!

Tales of Tenchi #3:
STOLEN MINDS

SHA
44
WHOA!!
SO THIS PLACE IS OKU-II?
...I KNEW IT.
HUH? WHAT DID YOU KNOW?
WE'RE STILL IN HYPER-SPACE...
...YET IN A PARTICULAR PLACE ON THE PHYSICAL PLANE--LIKE THE SARGASSO SEA ON EARTH.
IT SEEMS THAT OKU-II IS TETHERED BY AN INVISIBLE CHAIN.
THE TROUBLE IS THAT--THOUGH NOT IN THE SAME PHASE--THIS POINT IS ON THE SAME AXIS AS OKAYAMA...
HUH?
TO PUT IT SIMPLY, THE RECENT EARTHQUAKES ARE BECAUSE THIS PLANET... IS HERE.
WHAT?!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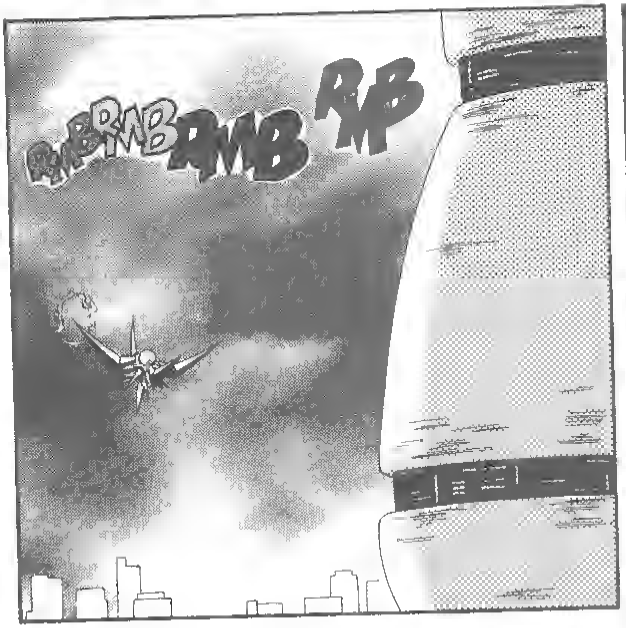
VMMMM MM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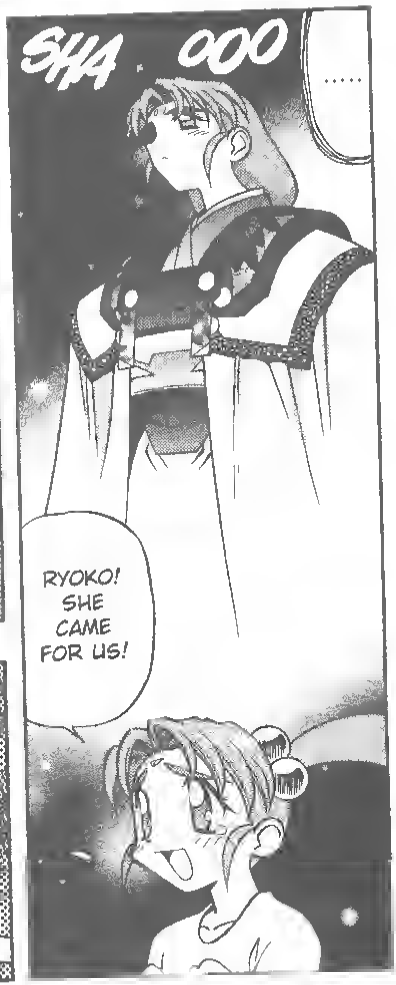
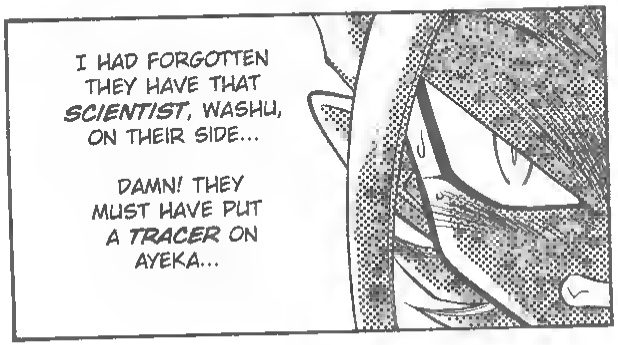
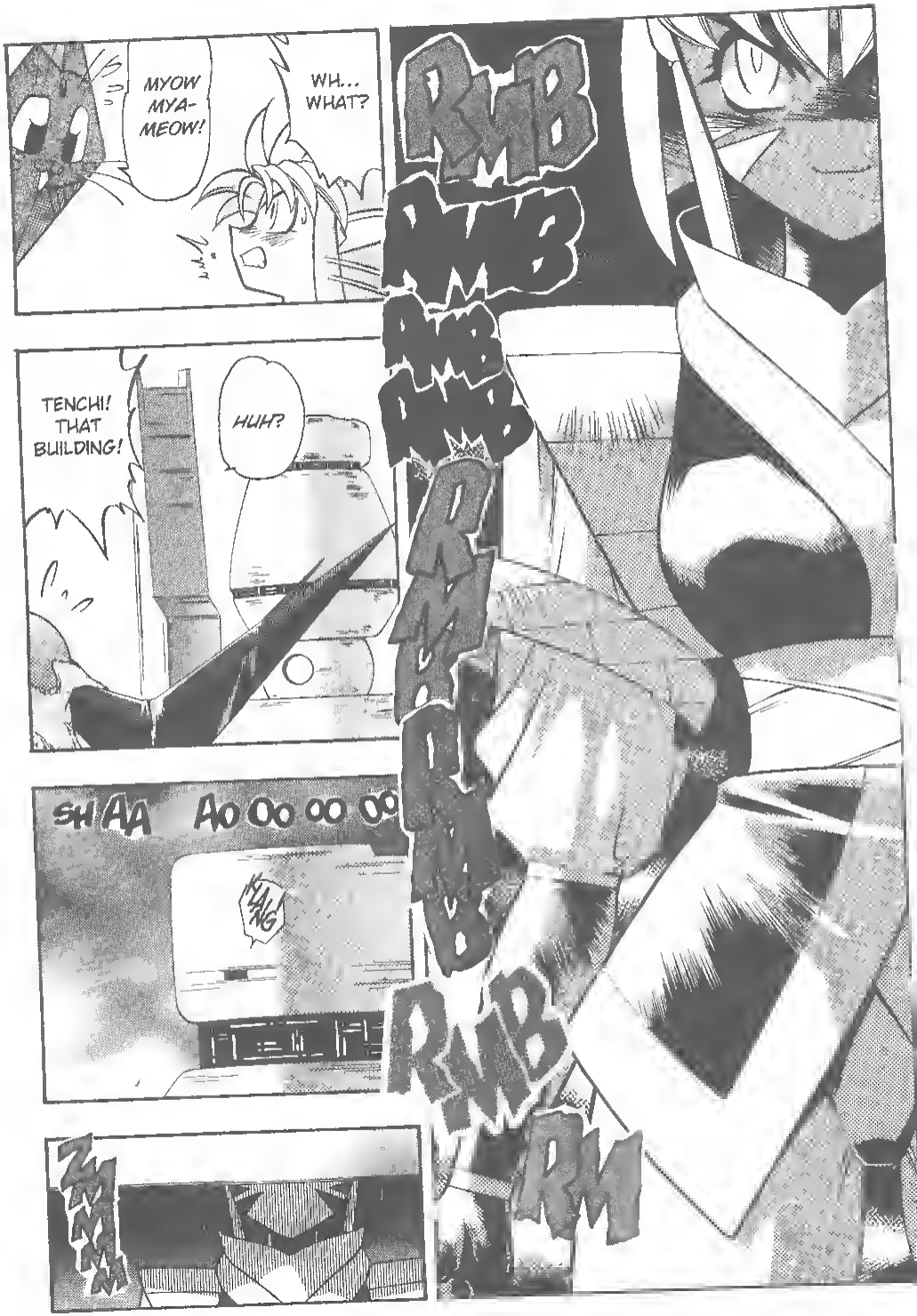

SHA . OOO
.....
RYOKO! SHE CAME FOR US!


I HAD FORGOTTEN THEY HAVE THAT *SCIENTIST*, WASHU, ON THEIR SIDE...
DAMN! THEY MUST HAVE PUT A *TRACER* ON AYEKA...


MYOW MYA-MEOW!
WH... WHAT?
TENCHI! THAT BUILDING!
HUH?
RMB RMB RMB RMB RMB RMB RMB RMB
SHAA AOOOOOOO
KLANG
ZMMM

WE'LL JUST HAVE TO SETTLE THIS ONCE AND FOR ALL!
AYEKA! DEATH TO TENCHI MASAKI!
I WENT TO *SO* MUCH TROUBLE TO MAKE THEM LOOK *SPACEWARD*. I THOUGHT IF I ATTACKED THEM WHERE OKU-II *USED* TO BE, THEY'D NEVER PIN *THIS* PLACE DOWN.
WELL, *THAT* TRICK WAS *WASTED*.

THAT IDIOT! SHE'S OUT OF IT AGAIN!
WHAM
KLANG
KLANG
RYOKO!
LEAVE THIS TO ME!
TENCHI... YOU CAN'T!
I'M THE ONE SHE'S AFTER, AREN'T I?
YOU GO LOOK FOR SASAMI AND HELP HER!
I HAVE TO GO!
LORD TENCHI!

KA
TANG
KA
OOM
KA
AAAA
G...
MOVE IT, RYO-OH-KI!

OHA
40
Oo

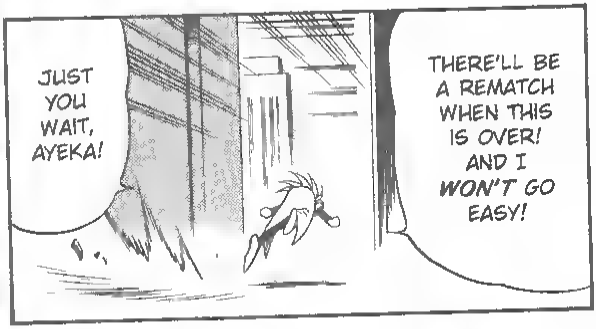
KRG
URRGH!
KNG
THIS THING IS TOUGH!
KRG
SHAA
oOOo
AYEKA, PLEASE STOP IT!
SHA
AAA
AAA
AAA
.....
AA
AA

RMB
RMB
RMB
RMB
RMB
IT IS WISE NOT TO STOP ME...
...FOR IF I DIE, AYEKA WILL BE MINE FOREVER!
YES, THERE IS THAT...
...BUT...
HOW COULD I LEAVE YOUR SOUL SO FAR BEYOND REDEMPTION...

OOOM

YOU!
LET ME GO!
KA
JIN

IF I COULD STILL TELEPORT, I'D BE THERE ALREADY.
THE DAMAGE AYEKA DEALT ME WAS MORE THAN I THOUGHT, DAMN HER!


JUST YOU WAIT, AYEKA!
THERE'LL BE A REMATCH WHEN THIS IS OVER! AND I *WON'T* GO EASY!

IT'S UP TO YOU...
COME HOME SAFE TENCHI...

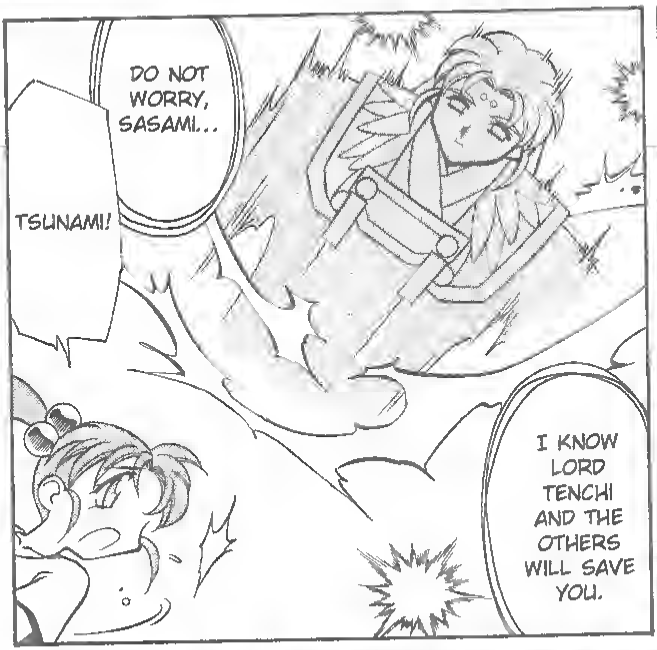
KRAKA
UNGH...
W-WE CAN'T DO THIS HERE!
RYO-OH-KI COULD GET HURT...
WSSH
SHA

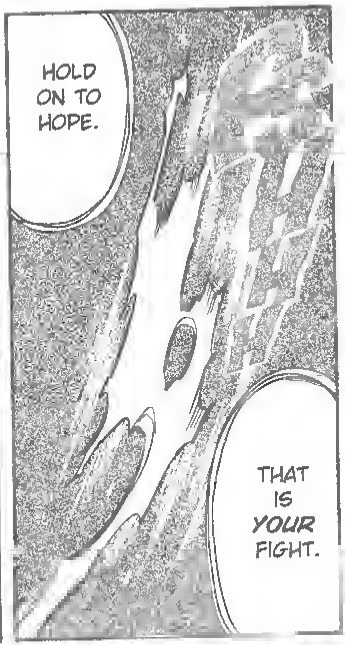
WHAT DID YOU DO?!
I CANNOT LET SASAMI ESCAPE. AYEKA WOULD BE SADDENED...
OH-- AND *DON'T* TOUCH, YOU HEAR?
A SHOCK FROM WITHIN AND THAT FORCE FIELD *EXPLODES*
NOW THEN, GET BACK *INSIDE*...
WOULD YOU PREFER THAT I KILL THE GIRL?
I ALWAYS WONDERED WHY SASAMI'S BRAINWASHING DIDN'T WORK... IT WAS *YOU*, TSUNAMI-- PROTECTING HER.
YEEK!

SHK
ARGH!
SHKKK
AYEKA, DON'T YOU KNOW ME?
PLEASE! IT'S JUST ME... TENCHI!
.....
I KNOW WHO YOU ARE..
YOU ARE LORD GARYU'S ENEMY!

SASAMI SHOULD BE INSIDE THIS BUILDING...
DAMN, THIS CLIMBING IS HARD WORK!
hff
hff
uff
RMB
RMB
RMB
RMB
WHAT IS IT THEY SAY...? "FACE YOUR TROUBLES WHILE YOU'RE YOUNG..."
WHAT A LOAD OF CRAP...

.....
...I HAVE NO CHOICE...


DO NOT WORRY, SASAMI...
TSUNAMI!
I KNOW LORD TENCHI AND THE OTHERS WILL SAVE YOU.


HOLD ON TO HOPE.
THAT IS *YOUR* FIGHT.

.....
OKAY...

UNH...
SKRAK
HF
UFF
UFF

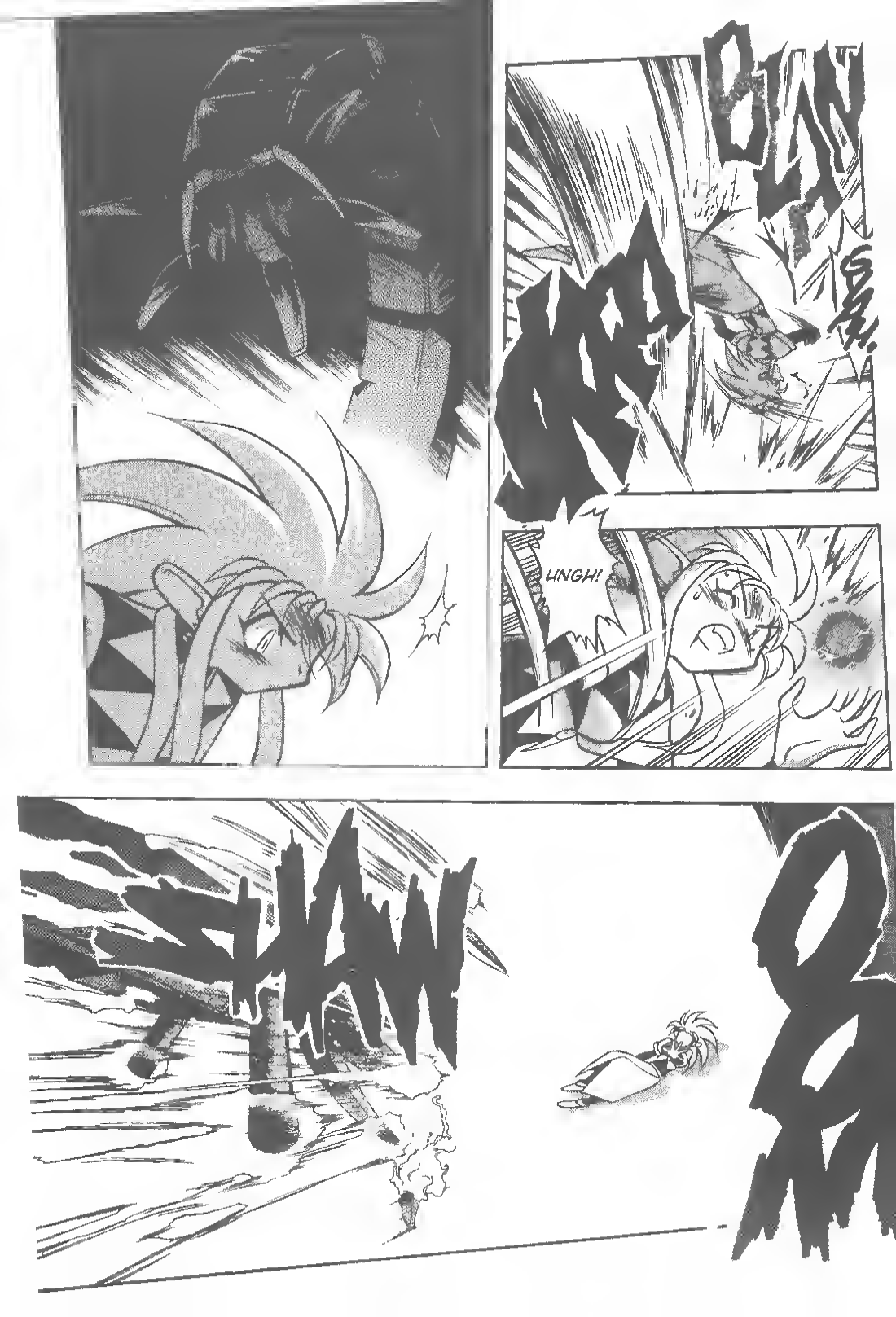
Tales of Tenchi #4:
FALLING

WHY?!
SKK
KOFF
WHY DON'T YOU FIGHT?!
SKK WHM
YOU HAVE THE LIGHT HAWK WINGS.
WHY DON'T YOU USE THEM?!

WHY...?
WHY, TENCHI MASAKI?!

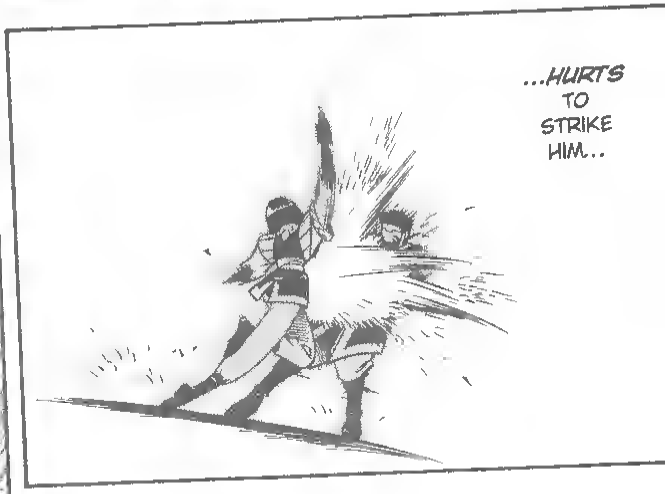
RMB
RMB
RMB
HEH! AS I THOUGHT-- TENCHI MASAKI'S HEART CRIPPLES HIM!
NOW IS THE TIME, AYEKA! FINISH HIM!
STAMP HIM FROM YOUR MIND-- AND THE WORLD!

THERE'S MORE TO LOSE THAN JUST THIS FIGHT.
THE LIGHT HAWK WINGS MIGHT SAVE ME... BUT THEY'D HURT YOU...
SO I CAN'T USE THEM..
I SEE...
SO YOU WOULD CHOOSE TO DIE...
...TO KEEP ME FROM HARM?


BLAM
UNGH!

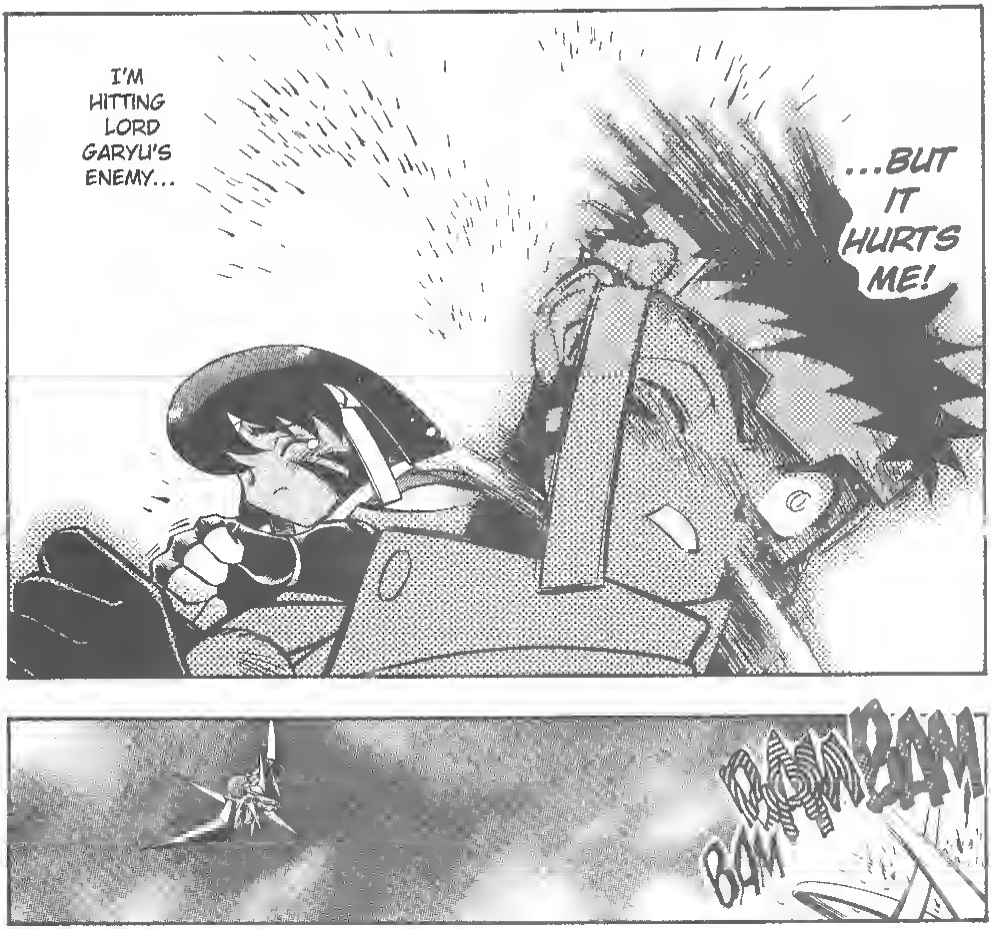
RMB
PLEASE HELP AYEKA!
TENCHI, RYOKO, WASHU, MIHOSHI...
PLEASE...

IT
HURTS...



UNH... DAMN IT...
IF I WERE IN TOP FORM, THIS'D BE A CAKE-WALK...
HMPH...! WHAT A TIME TO BE WHINING...
TENCHI'S GOT A MUCH TOUGHER CHALLENGE THAN I HAVE...

THIS IS WHAT LORD TENCHI HAS CHOSEN TO DO...!
SHSHH
WHAT'S THE MATTER?!
YOU'RE NOT STRIKING TO K--
shaaa
AYEKA...

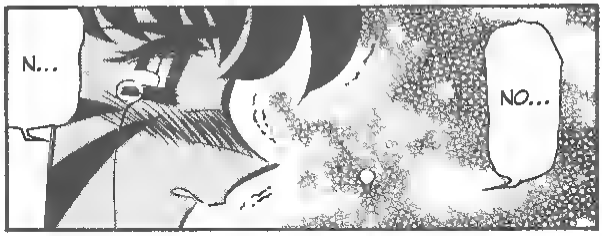

I'M HITTING LORD GARYU'S ENEMY...
...BUT IT HURTS ME!
BAM
BAM
BAM

TENCHI'S GONNA DIE! HE'S GONNA DIE!
WE HAVE TO GO HELP HIM!
NO! WE CAN'T.

THE ONLY THING WE CAN DO...
...IS WATCH OVER THEM-- AND WAIT!

A-AYEKA?!
DID YOU GET YOUR MEMORY BACK...?!
NO! THIS CAN'T BE!
AYEKA! YOU MUST FINISH HIM!
NOW!
AE EE E!
A-AYEKA!
OH, NO!
HER MIND IS AT BREAK-DOWN!
AYEKA...
DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!

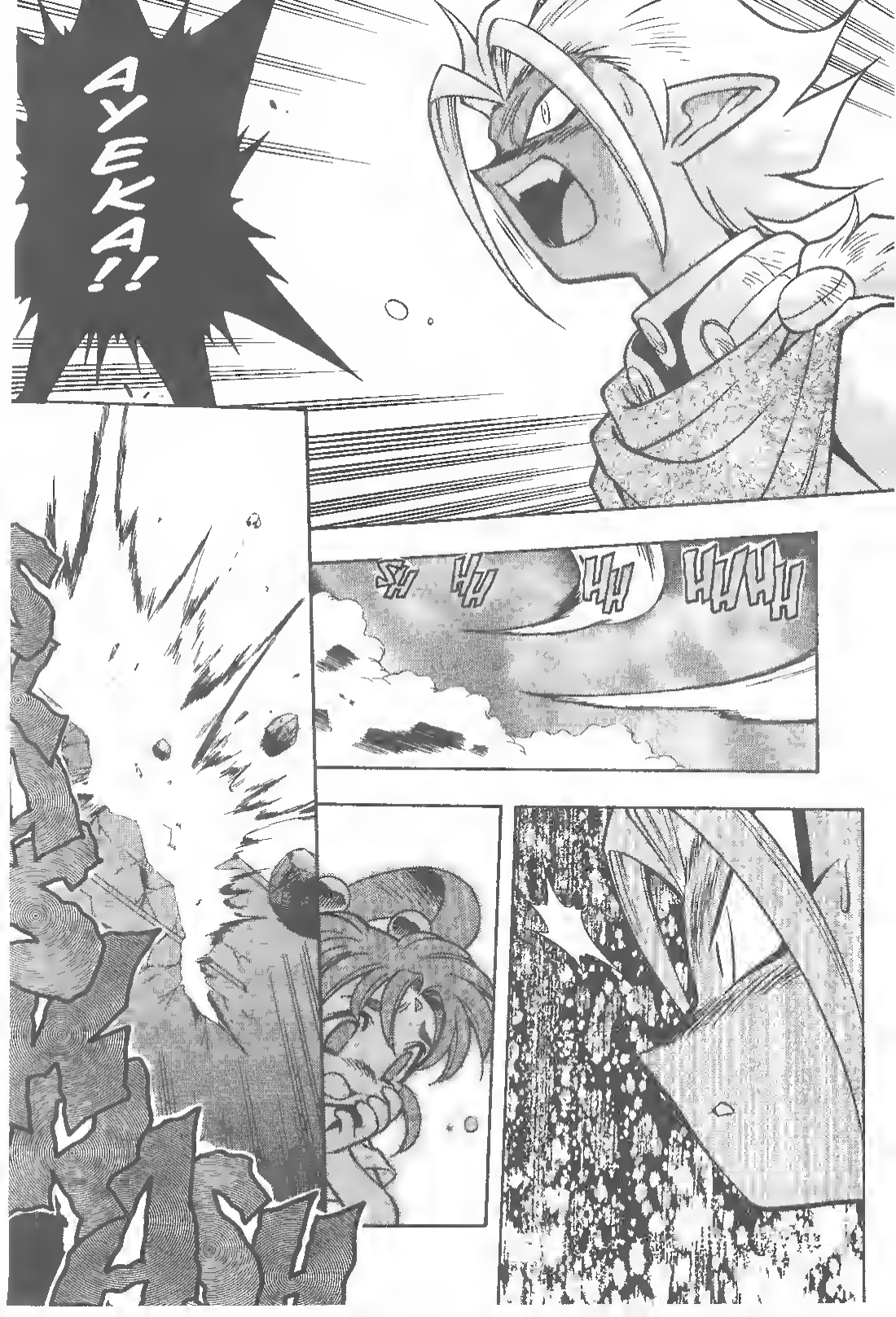
WHP

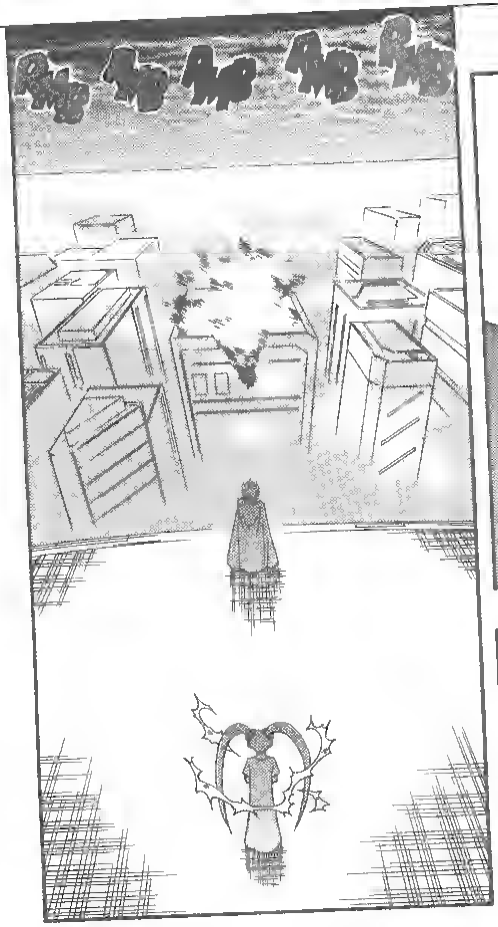

N...
NO...

I JUST CAN'T DO IT...
EVEN IF IT MEANS DISOBEYING LORD GARYU, I DON'T WANT...TO HURT YOU ANYMORE...
THIS ISN'T WHAT I WANT TO DO...

STOP IT! YOU'LL BURN THROUGH YOUR OWN MIND!
AYEKA, NOOOO!
A- AYEKA!

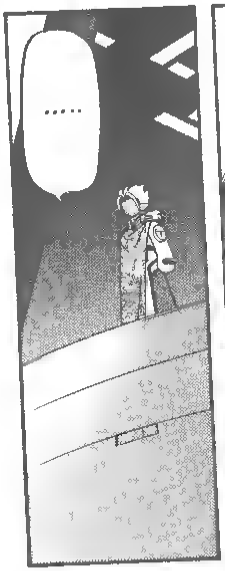
HEH... SO FUNNY, THIS HEART OF MINE...
I THOUGHT IT ONLY HAD ROOM FOR LORD GARYU...
...BUT THE MORE I TRY TO FIGHT YOU...THE DEEPER YOU ENTER MY HEART...
BUT I'VE HAD ENOUGH...
I DON'T WANT TO CAUSE ANY MORE TROUBLE-- NOT TO ANYONE...


AYEKA!!
HA
HA
HAHA



OH, AYEKA, I'M SO GLAD...
I'M JUST SO... GLAD...

THANKS... TENCHI.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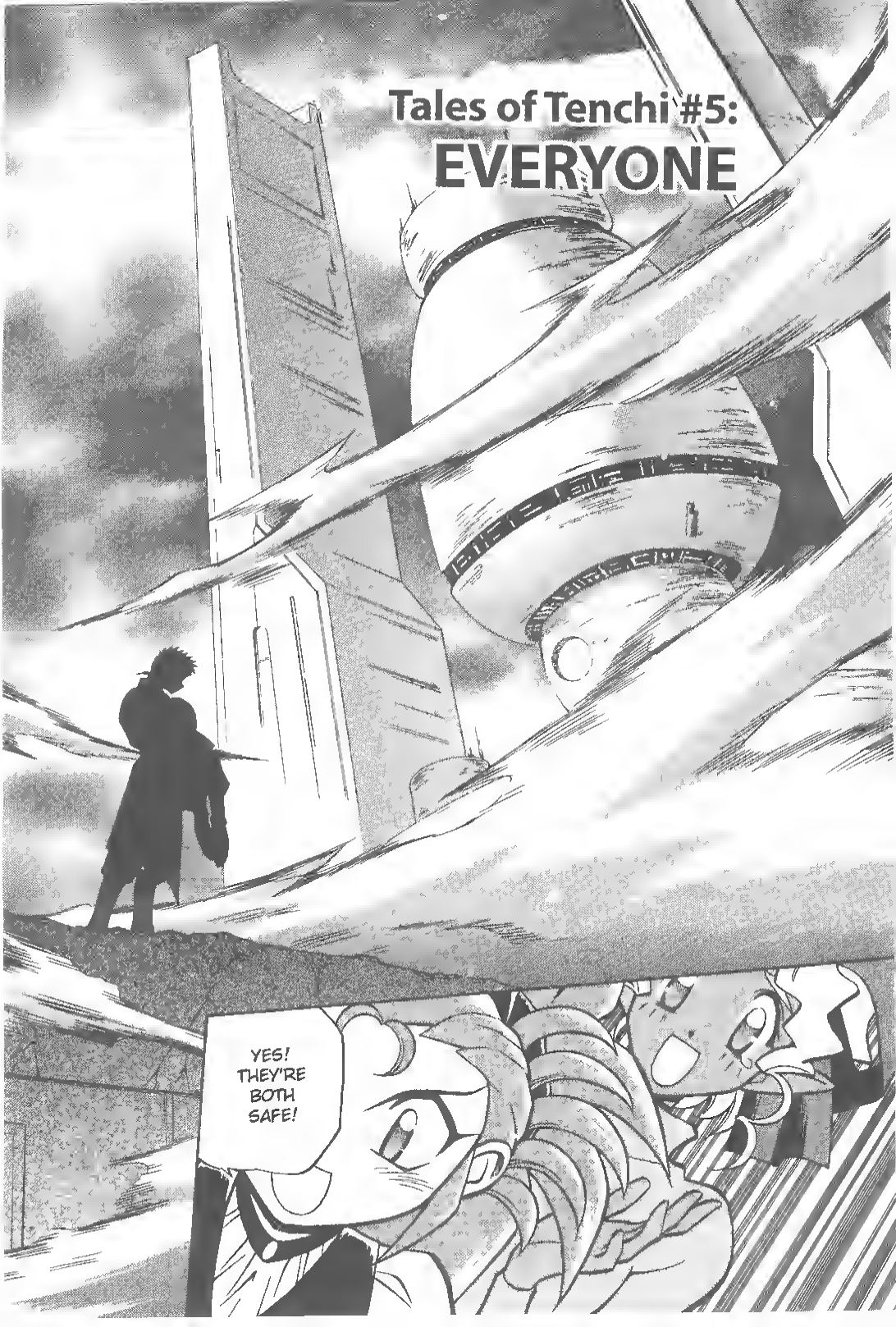
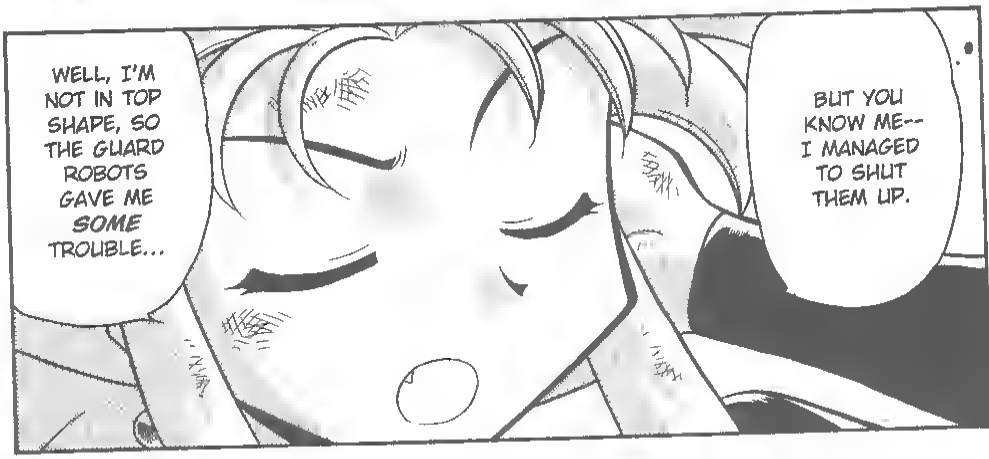
I DON'T BELIEVE IT...
THIS IS THE SECOND TIME!


Tales of Tenchi #5:
EVERYONE
YES! THEY'RE BOTH SAFE!

JEEM
JEEM
JEEM

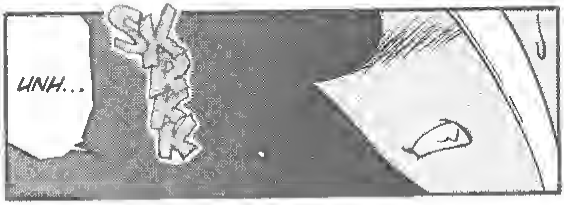
WHAT CAN I DO?
TRACTOR BEAM'S GOOD! LADY MIHOSHI...
OKAY, GOT HER!

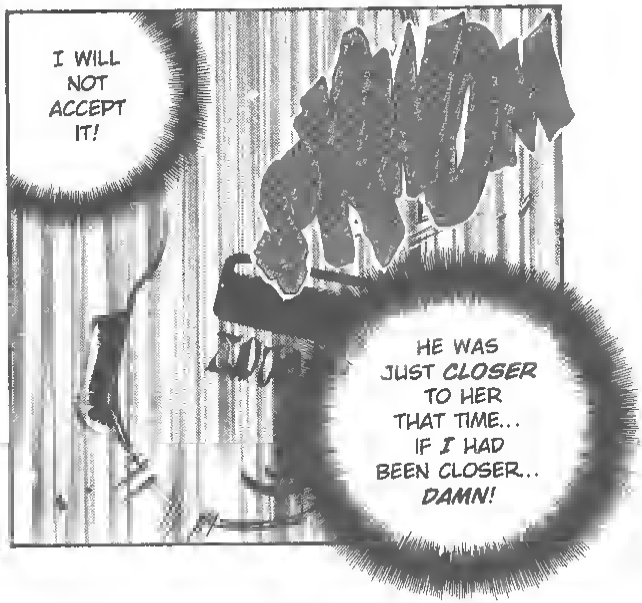
WASHU! WHAT HAPPENED OVER THERE?
WE'RE PULLING UP LADY AYEKA.
AND WHAT ABOUT YOU?


WELL, I'M NOT IN TOP SHAPE, SO THE GUARD ROBOTS GAVE ME SOME TROUBLE...
BUT YOU KNOW ME-- I MANAGED TO SHUT THEM UP.

THE LAST TIME...
...AND NOW *AGAIN*, IT WAS NOT *I* WHO SAVED AYEKA...

IT WAS *HE!*


UNH...


I WILL NOT ACCEPT IT!
HE WAS JUST *CLOSER* TO HER THAT TIME... IF *I* HAD BEEN CLOSER... *DAMN!*

WASHU!
L-LOOK!
IT'S HIM!
SHA
OO
OOO
.....

BUT SOMETHING'S *WEIRD*... HOW SHOULD I PUT IT...
ALL I SEE ARE *ROBOTS*--I CAN'T FEEL ANY *HUMAN* PRESENCE AT ALL.

I KNEW IT... I CAN SEE THAT BY SCANNING THE VISIBLE AREA...
AS I THOUGHT, THERE'S ONLY *ONE* PERSON ON THIS PLANET... *GARYU.*

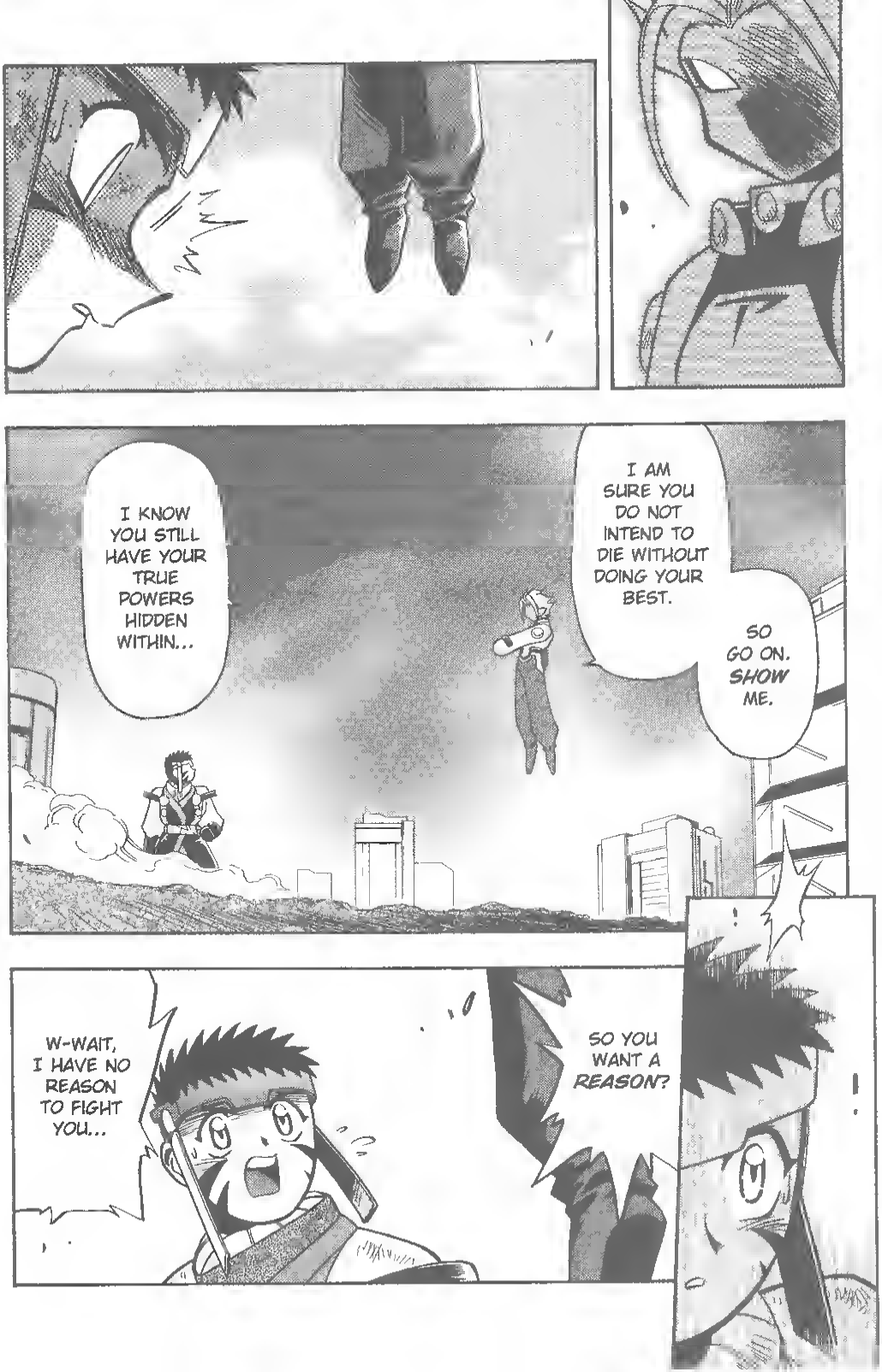
HE...
HE'S FAST!
I DON'T THINK WE'VE MET YET...
MY NAME IS GARYU! I AM PRINCE OF OKU-II...
HELLO. I-I'M..
I KNOW WHO YOU ARE...
TENCHI MASAKI, THE PRINCE OF JURAI.
SHOOM
SHOOM
I HAVE SWORN TO...

FSHT
!
TMP

NOOO, TENCHI!
UNGH!
DAMN! H-HE'S SO STRONG!

...SEE YOU DIE!
!
FWIT
tssh
WHAM
?!

THEN I'LL GIVE YOU A REASON.
UNLESS YOU DEFEAT ME, AYEKA'S BRAINWASHING WILL NEVER BE COMPLETELY UNDONE.
WH...
WHAT?!
TENCHI!

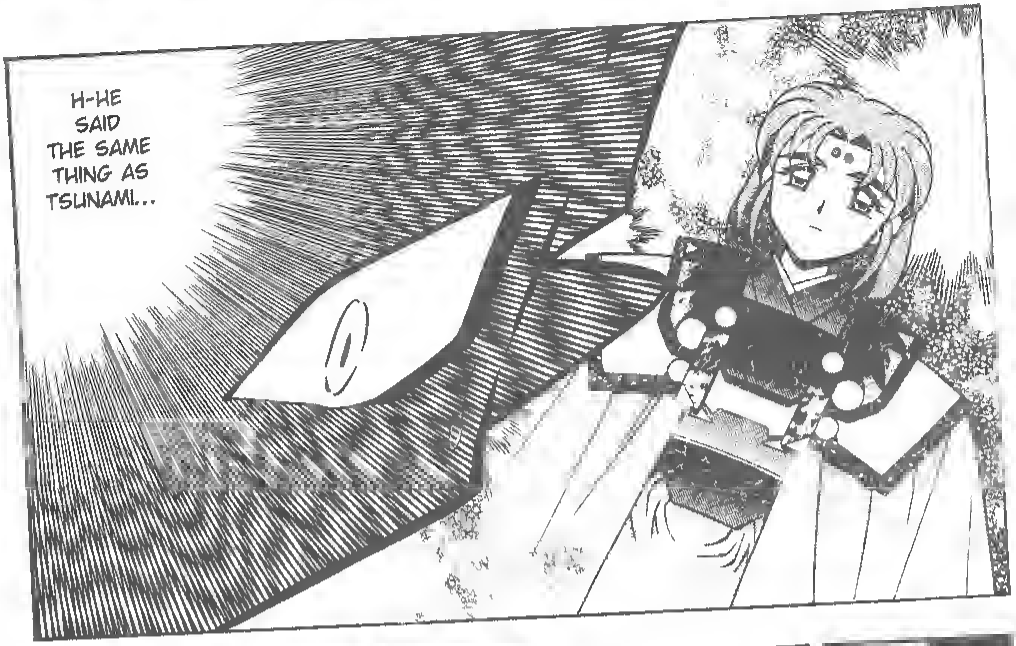

I KNOW YOU STILL HAVE YOUR TRUE POWERS HIDDEN WITHIN...
I AM SURE YOU DO NOT INTEND TO DIE WITHOUT DOING YOUR BEST.
SO GO ON. SHOW ME.
W-WAIT, I HAVE NO REASON TO FIGHT YOU...
SO YOU WANT A REASON?
!
!

YOU HAVE SAVED AYEKA TWICE.
ZHP
BUT THAT WAS ONLY BECAUSE YOU WERE *CLOSER* TO HER--THAT'S ALL.
Wm Wm Wm Wm
IT IS *NOT*...
...BECAUSE I AM *INFERIOR* TO YOU--NOT IN *ANY* WAY!
FOR *I* AM THE ONLY ONE...

AAAH!
OH!
RYOKO!
SASAMI!
THERE YOU ARE...
UM... A-ARE YOU OKAY?
HA...
HA, HA... FORGOT I COULDN'T GO THROUGH WALLS...

SMASH
BLAST
AT LAST YOU MEAN TO FIGHT!
RMB
RMB
RMB
RMB
RMB
Woooo

CRASH!
...SUITABLE FOR AYEKA!
LORD TENCHI!
RMB RMB RMB
SWISH
UNH!


H-HE SAID THE SAME THING AS TSUNAMI...

IS HE THE ONE AFTER ALL...

...THE ONE WHO WOULD STOP ME?

GARYU...

DON'T YOU SEE?
IT'S NOT ABOUT WHICH ONE OF US IS SUIT-ABLE...
IF YOU LOVE HER SO MUCH, WHY DON'T YOU CONSIDER HER FEELINGS?!
IT WON'T SOLVE ANYTHING JUST TO FORCE YOUR FEELINGS UPON HER!

HAH!
SWISH
SWISH
BLAM

OH
OOH
SHOOT

YOU HAVE TO BEAT ME FIRST!

BAMBAMBAM
SHWOOM
UNGH!
DAMN... YOU STILL DON'T GET IT, DO YOU...?
CLOSED-MINDED FOOL!
I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU...
IF YOU WANT THE OLD AYEKA BACK...

HA AH!

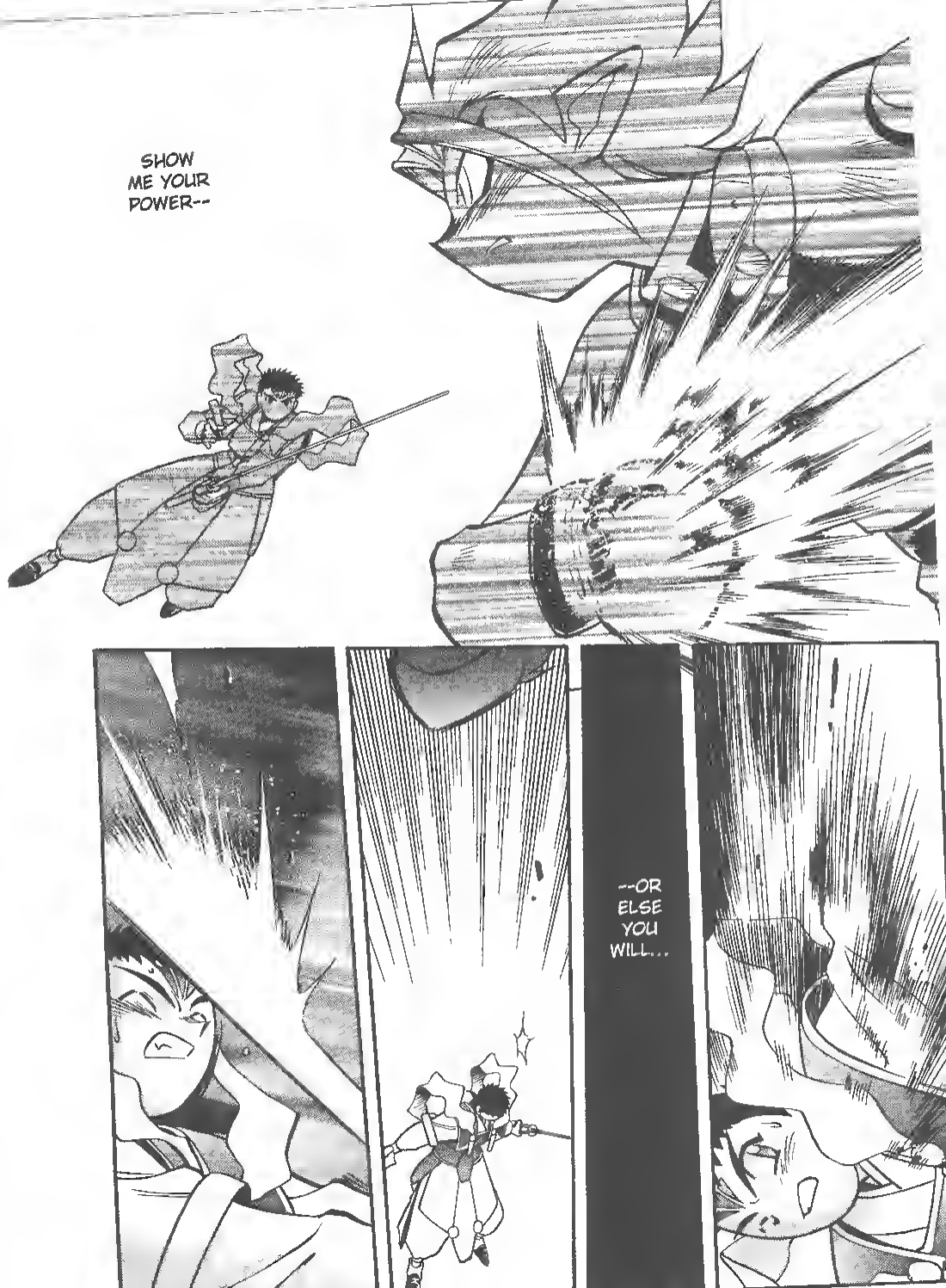
AGH!
RYOKO, THAT'S ENOUGH! CUT IT OUT!
OUCH!
THIS IS MY ONLY CHANCE AT ACTION THIS EPISODE!
CAN'T LET IT GO TO WASTE!
fap fap
BUT...
RYOKO, YOU'RE STILL NOT HEALED ALL THE WAY...
SHHHH!
grip
JUST LEMME SHOW OFF, WILL YA?

CLASH
WHUD
UNH...
HE--
--HE'S STRONG.

Tales of Tenchi #6:
PLENTY
WOOO
LORD TENCHI...!

SO MUCH ENERGY! MORE THAN HE'S EVER SHOWN...
AND BOTH HIS HANDS!
...UNH...
UH-OH-- GARYU'S GETTING SERIOUS NOW.
WHAAAT?! THAT'S LIKE, BAD!
RUMBLE
RMB
RMB
RMB

I DESERVE A WORTHY OPPONENT...
heh
BUT I HAVE POWER STILL UNTAPPED.
TWIST
HOW WILL HE DEAL--
WITH THIS?!
WHAM
SLAM

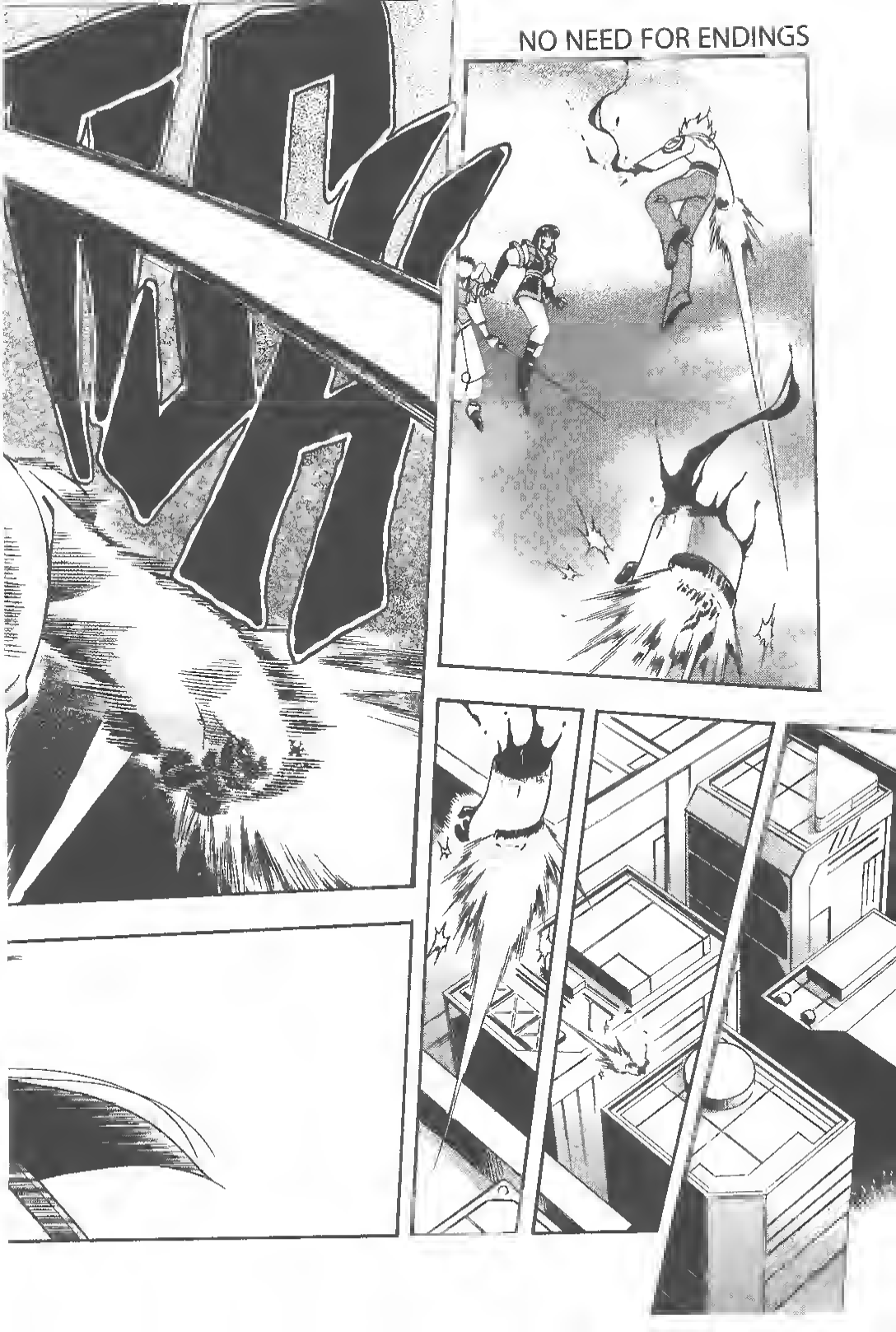

SHOW ME YOUR POWER--
--OR ELSE YOU WILL...

...!
...!
SKREEEE

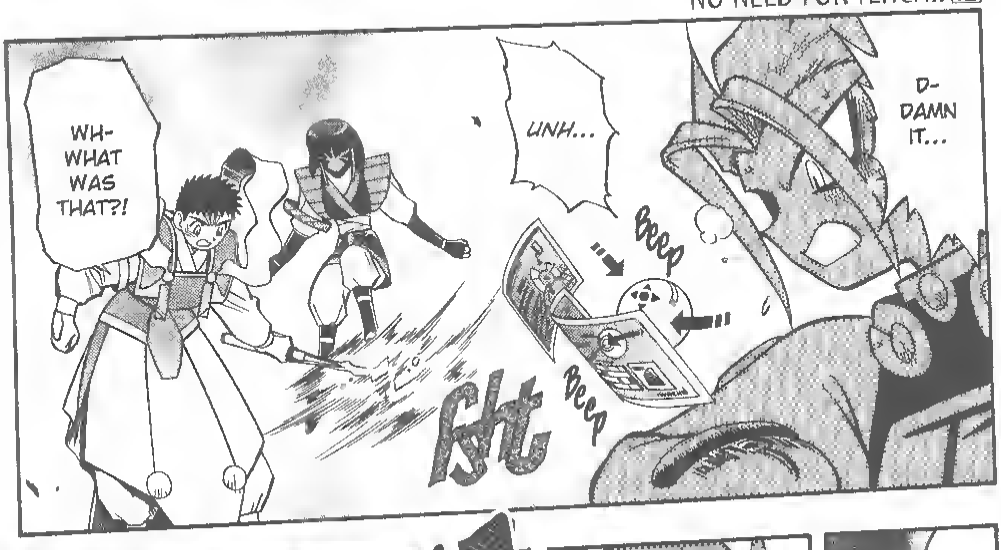
DIE!!

A-
AYEKA?!
N-NO!
I
CAN'T
STO--!

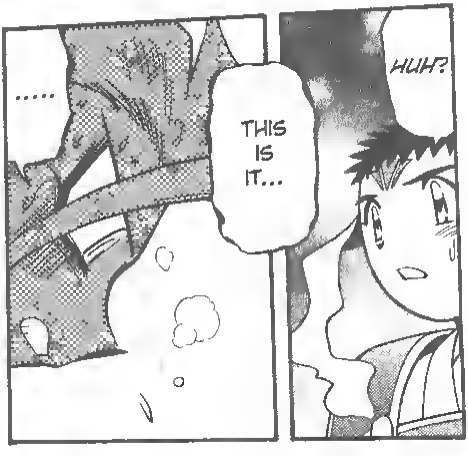
HE--HE CUT OFF HIS OWN HAND...
KYAH!!
SWEEP
KICK



THE PLANET WILL EXPLODE IN TEN MINUTES.
THIS WILL ALL BE HYPER-SPACE DUST...
.....
TCH!
AH!
A-AYEKA?
NOTHING TO FEAR.. I JUST UNDID AYEKA'S BRAIN-WASHING.
FSSSH
SASAMI SHOULD BE RELEASED AS WELL. GO SAVE HER.
GARYU...
YOU'RE...


WH-WHAT WAS THAT?!
UNH...
D-DAMN IT...
Beep
Beep
fsht

BM
BOM
BOM
BOM
BM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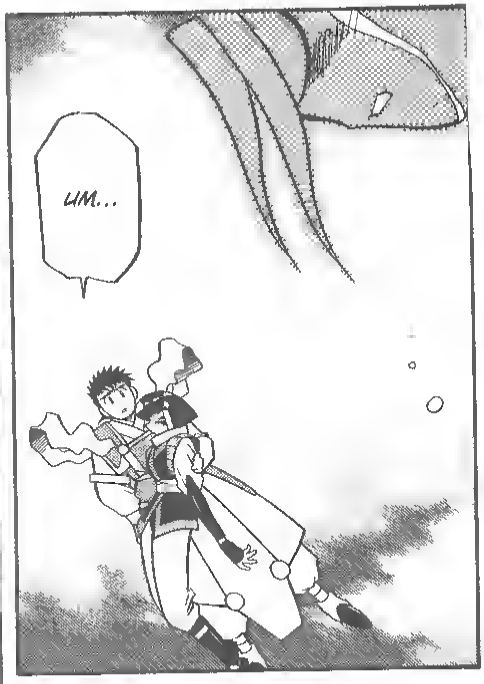
THIS IS IT...
HUH?

THAT BLAST-- I FEAR IT DESTROYED OKU-II'S CORE.
WHA...?!

I KNEW ALL ALONG...
... KNEW, BUT WAS PRETENDING NOT TO NOTICE...
...NO MATTER HOW I MIGHT BEND HER *MIND* TOWARDS ME...
...AYEKA'S *TRUE HEART* WOULD BEAT FOR ONLY ONE MAN-- TENCHI MASAKI...
...I...

SKRRRIIP
AH!
DRRP
Fwip
?!
OH, NO! ARE YOU OKAY?
OWW! WHY'D IT TURN OFF LIKE THAT?
RM RM
WHAT IS THAT?
RMB RMB
AN EARTH-QUAKE ...?

NO MATTER WHAT ELSE HE HAD DONE, GARYU HAD LOVED AYEKA-- IN HIS OWN WAY...
...SO MUCH THAT HE WOULD NOT THINK TWICE ABOUT CUTTING OFF HIS OWN ARM...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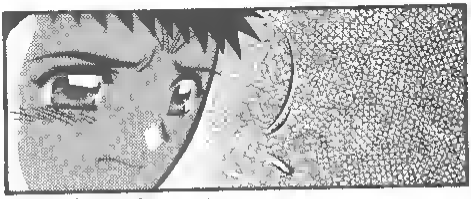
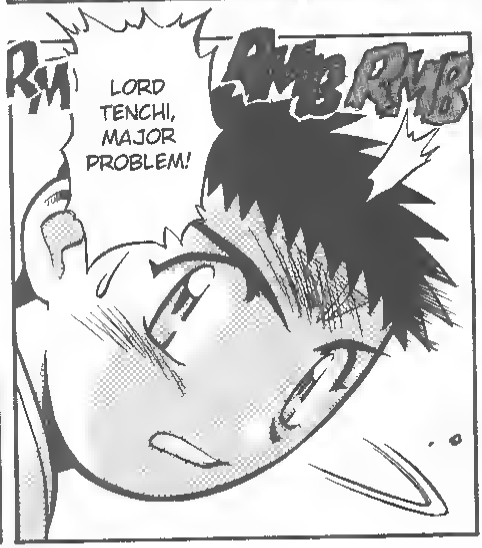
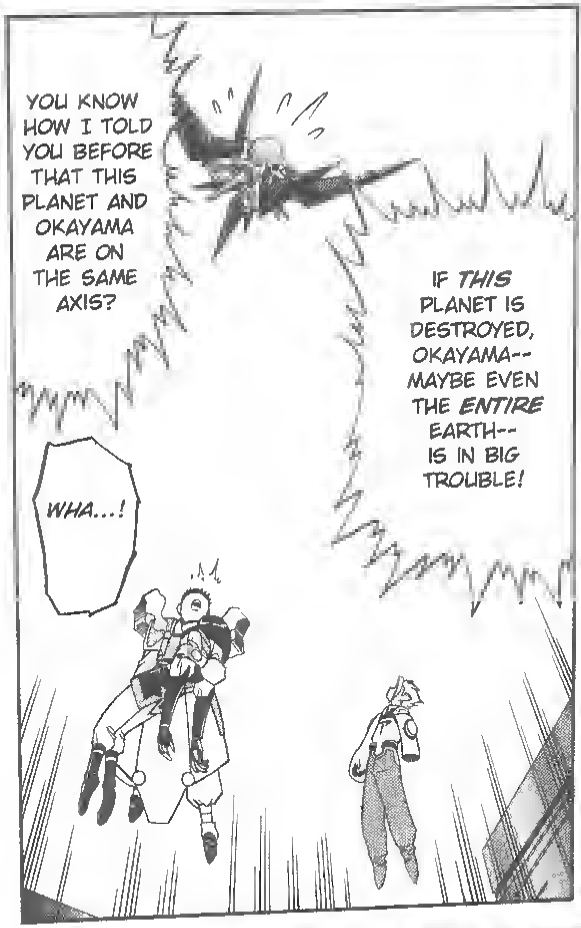


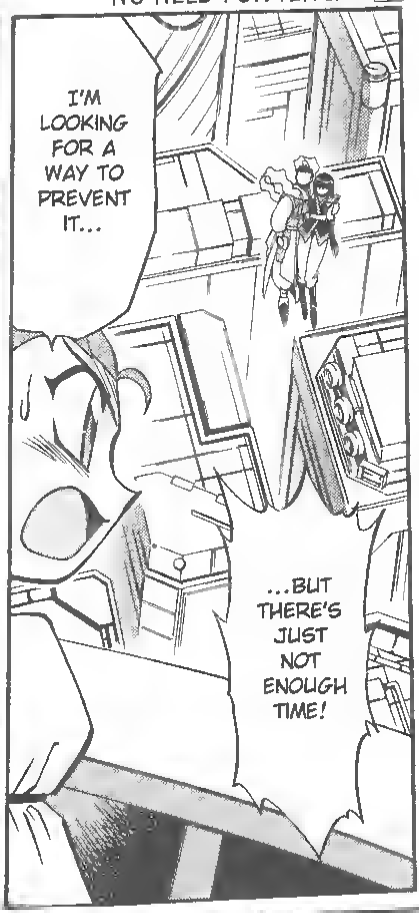

RMB
RMB
LORD TENCHI, MAJOR PROBLEM!

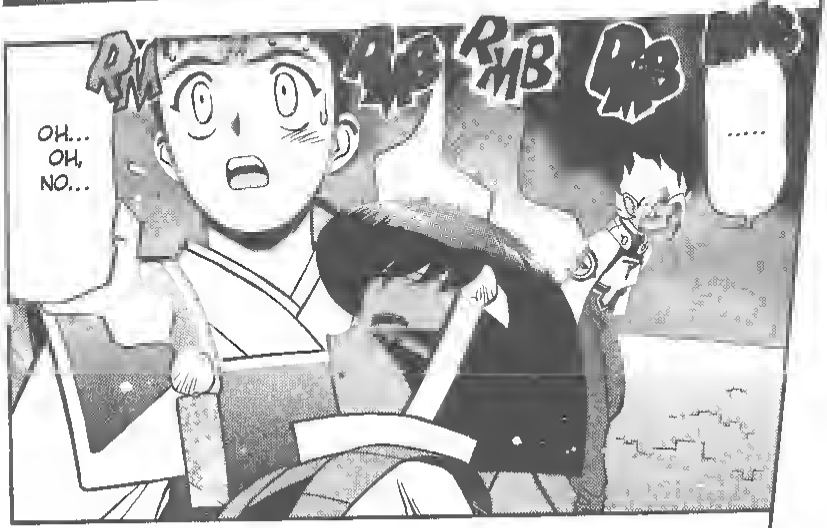
EVEN THOUGH HE DID NOT KNOW HIM, TENCHI COULD TELL...

...THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME GARYU HAD EVER GIVEN A SINCERE APOLOGY.

!
I KNOW YOU'RE LISTENING!
TSUNAMI!!
IT MAY BE PUSHING MY LUCK TO MAKE A REQUEST OF YOU NOW!
BUT, PLEASE-- LISTEN TO ME!
SEVER THE DIMENSIONAL CHAIN THAT BINDS OKU-II HERE!
PLEASE!!

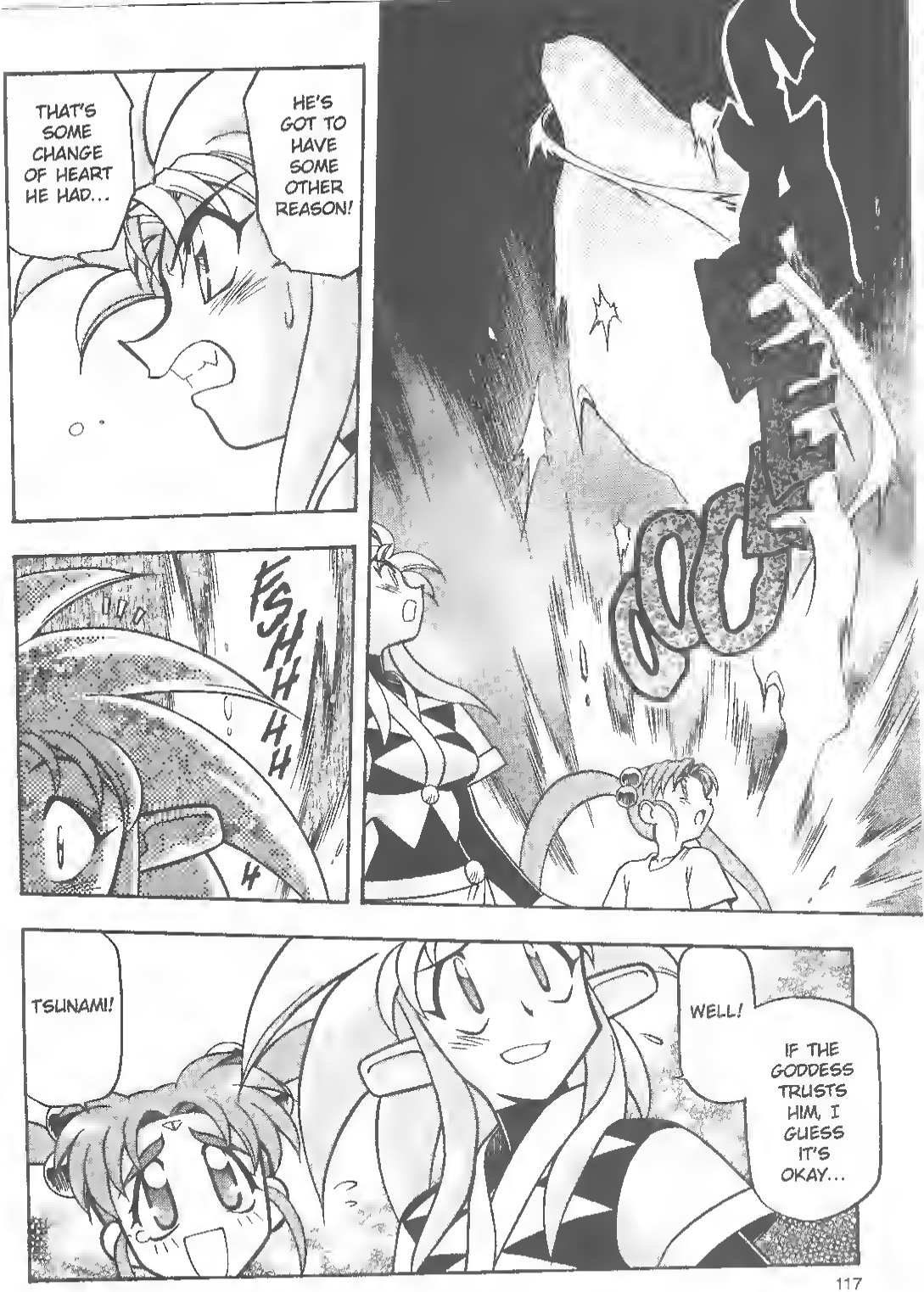

YOU KNOW HOW I TOLD YOU BEFORE THAT THIS PLANET AND OKAYAMA ARE ON THE SAME AXIS?
IF *THIS* PLANET IS DESTROYED, OKAYAMA-- MAYBE EVEN THE *ENTIRE* EARTH-- IS IN BIG TROUBLE!
WHA...!

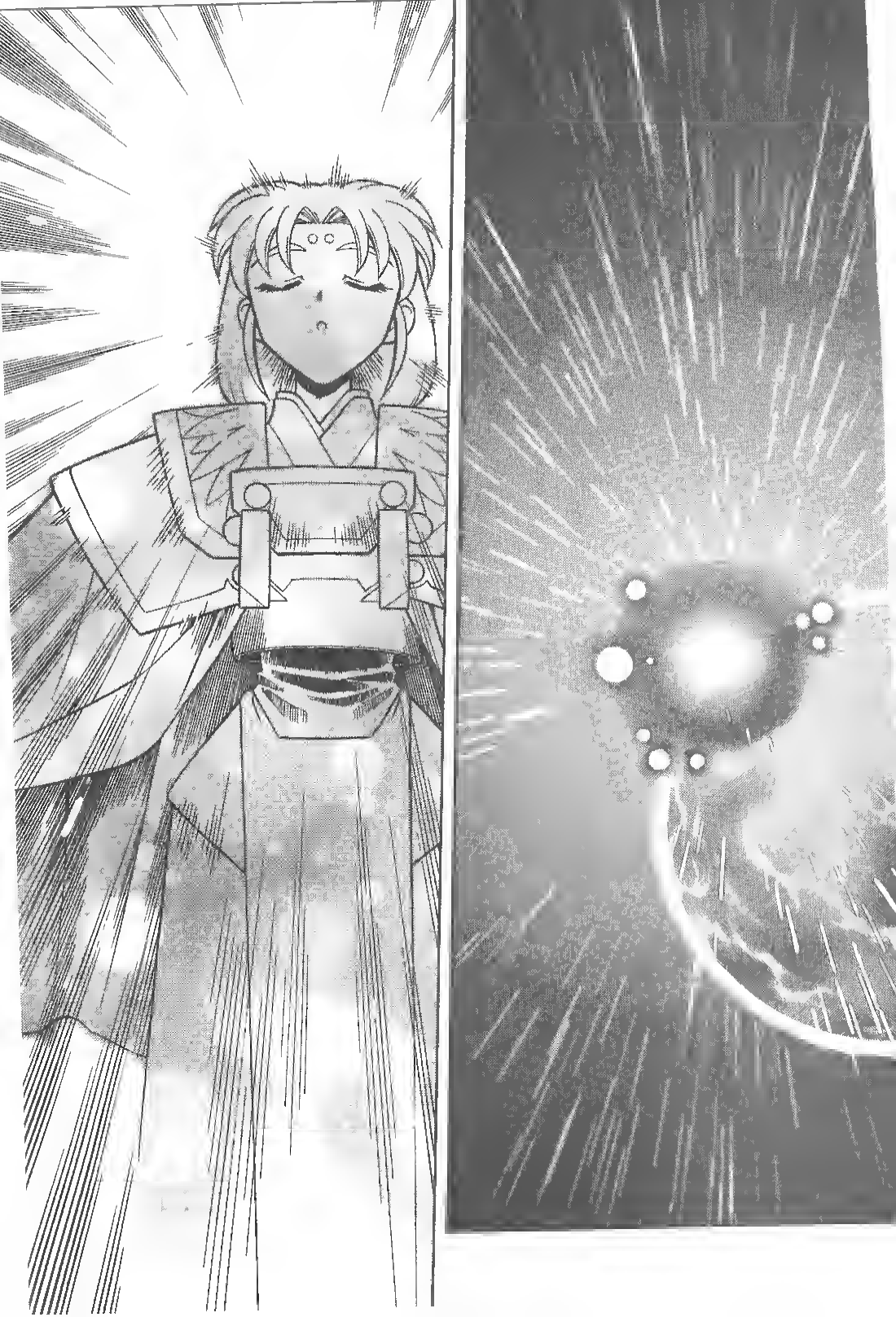

I'M LOOKING FOR A WAY TO PREVENT IT...
...BUT THERE'S JUST NOT ENOUGH TIME!


RM
RMB
RMB
RMB
OH... OH, NO...
.....

THERE...
...MIGHT STILL BE A *WAY*...

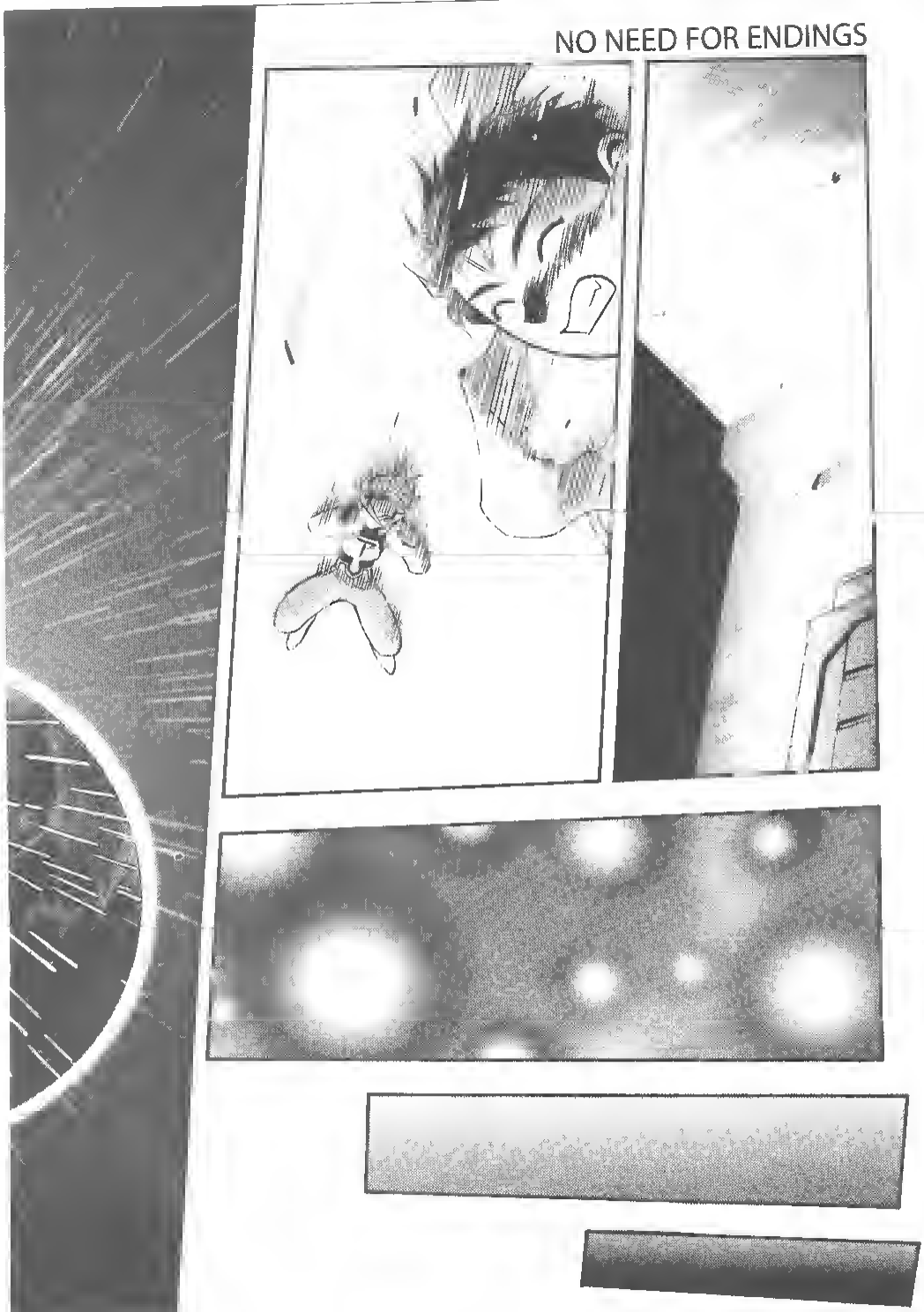
WEEEEE
SHEEEOOOM


THAT'S SOME CHANGE OF HEART HE HAD...
HE'S GOT TO HAVE SOME OTHER REASON!
FSHHHH
TSUNAMI!
WELL!
IF THE GODDESS TRUSTS HIM, I GUESS IT'S OKAY...

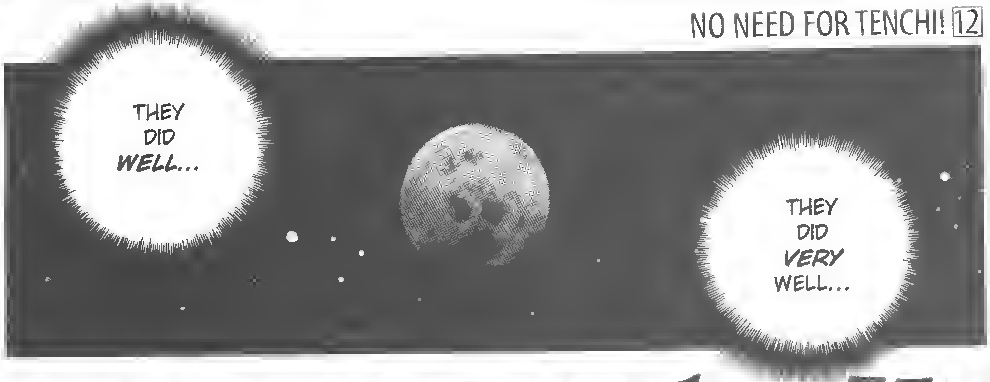


AAAH!!
IT'S A BIG ONE!
LOOKS LIKE THIS IS IT!
G-GET DOWN, FATHER!

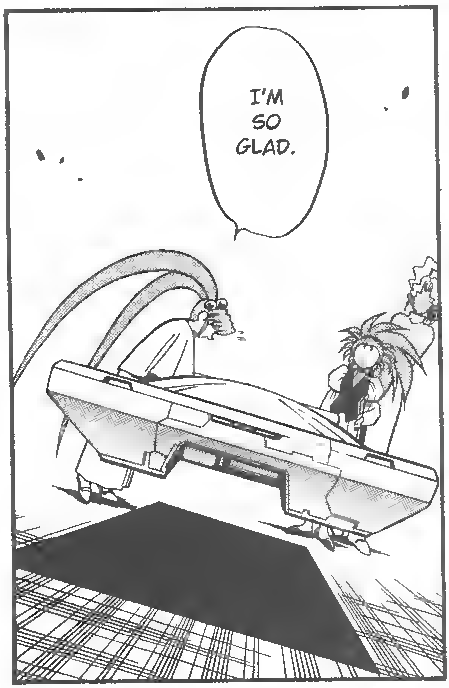
SHAA
TH-THE EARTH-QUAKE... IT'S STOPPED.
FATHER, DID YOU FEEL THAT? IT STOPPED!
YES...
THEY DID IT...

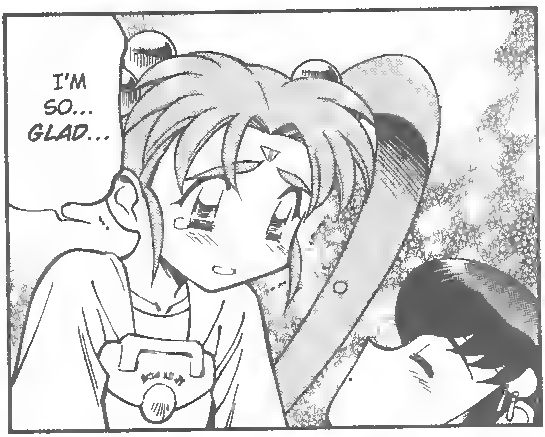


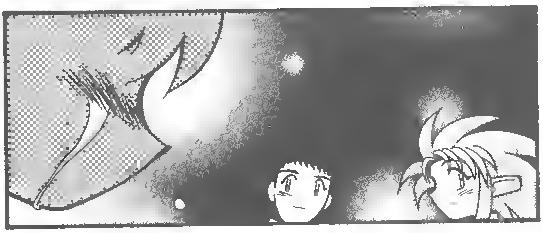
DID WE DO THE RIGHT THING-- LEAVING HIM...?
I JUST DON'T KNOW.
BUT...
"BUT"?
IF IT WAS ME...
I WOULDN'T THINK OF SEALING MY FATE WITH A PLANET...
EVEN IF I MAKE MISTAKES, I HAVE TO LIVE WITH MYSELF-- WITH EVERYONE-- AS BEST I CAN...
IT'S THE PEOPLE THAT MATTER...


THEY DID WELL...
THEY DID VERY WELL...

SHE'S ALL RIGHT NOW. SHE'LL WAKE IN TWO OR THREE HOURS.


I'M SO GLAD.

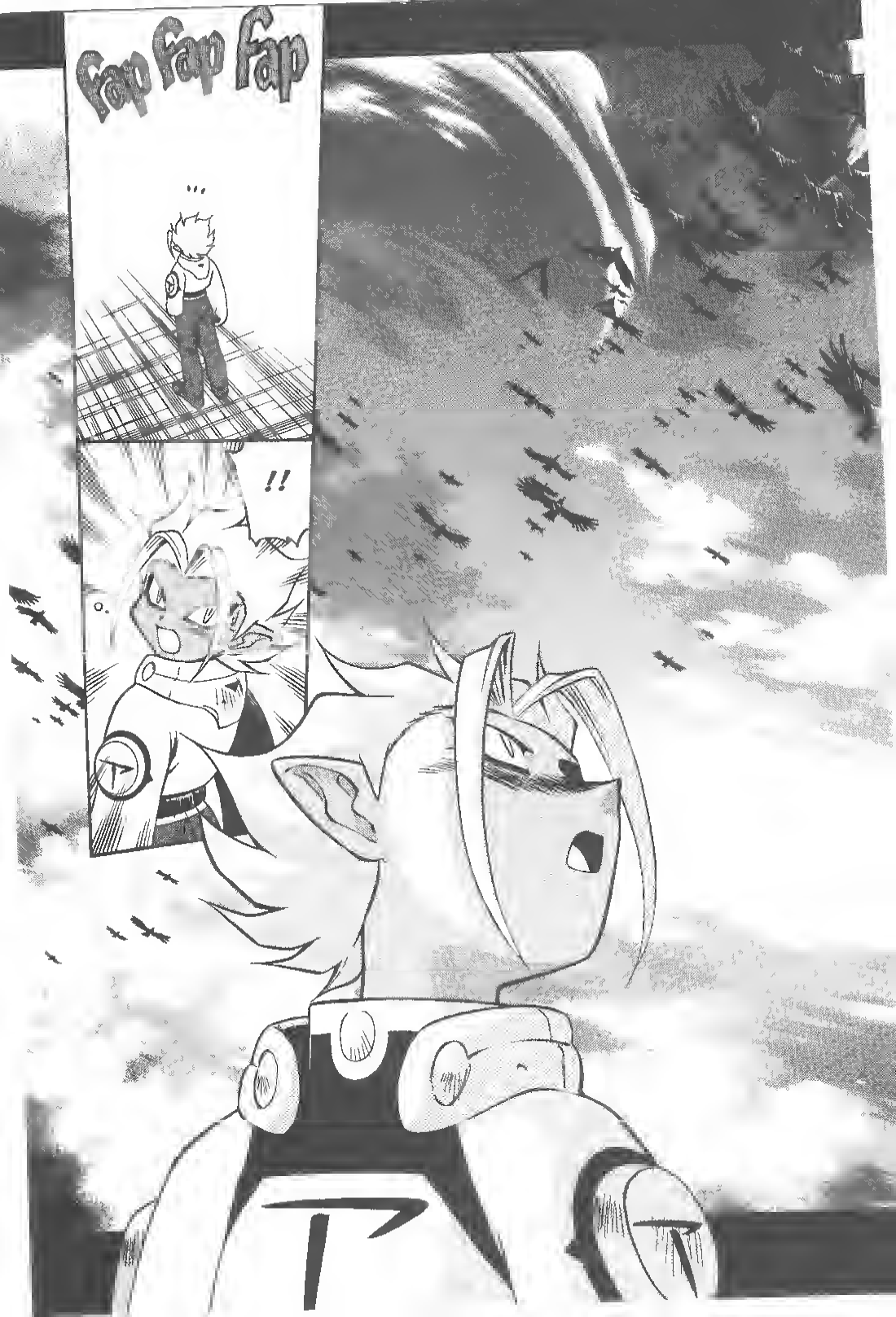

I'M SO... GLAD...



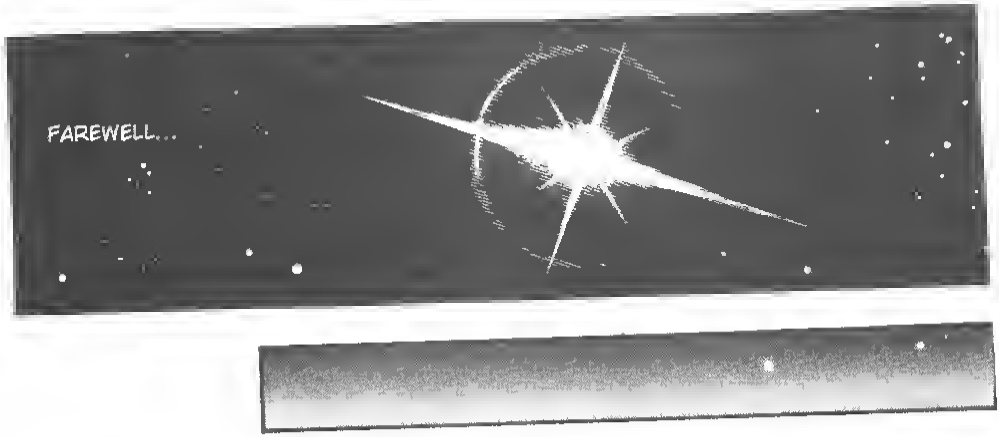
FATHER...
I SHALL JOIN YOU SHORTLY.
GARYU, THERE IS A SAYING IN OUR ROYAL FAMILY...
"BE LOVED BY THE PEOPLE. THEN THERE WILL BE PEACE IN THE LAND..."
BE LOVED...?
...
HA, HA, HA...
WELL, IN TIME YOU SHALL UNDER-STAND.

heh
Hmmmm

Ahh Ahh Ahh
OKU-II'S LIFE... IS ALMOST AT AN END.


Fap Fap Fap
...
!!

FOR THE SAKE OF THIS PLANET...
...AND ABOVE ALL, FOR YOUR OWN SAKE, CARE FOR THE PEOPLE AND LOVE THEM-- MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE!
FATHER...
I THINK I FINALLY UNDERSTAND, IF JUST A LITTLE...
YOU LOVED THIS PLANET, AND ITS PEOPLE, MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE.
...YOUR VISION OF "TRUE LOVE."
SUCH A SIMPLE THING-- BUT SO DIFFICULT...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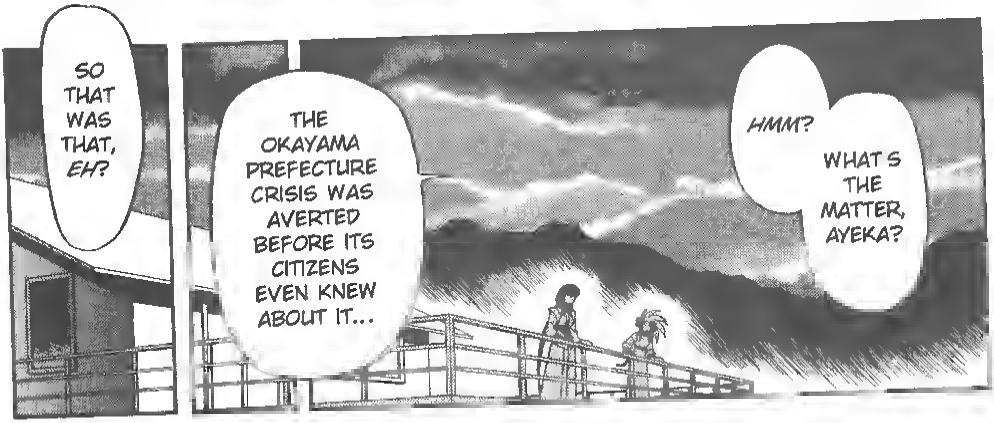
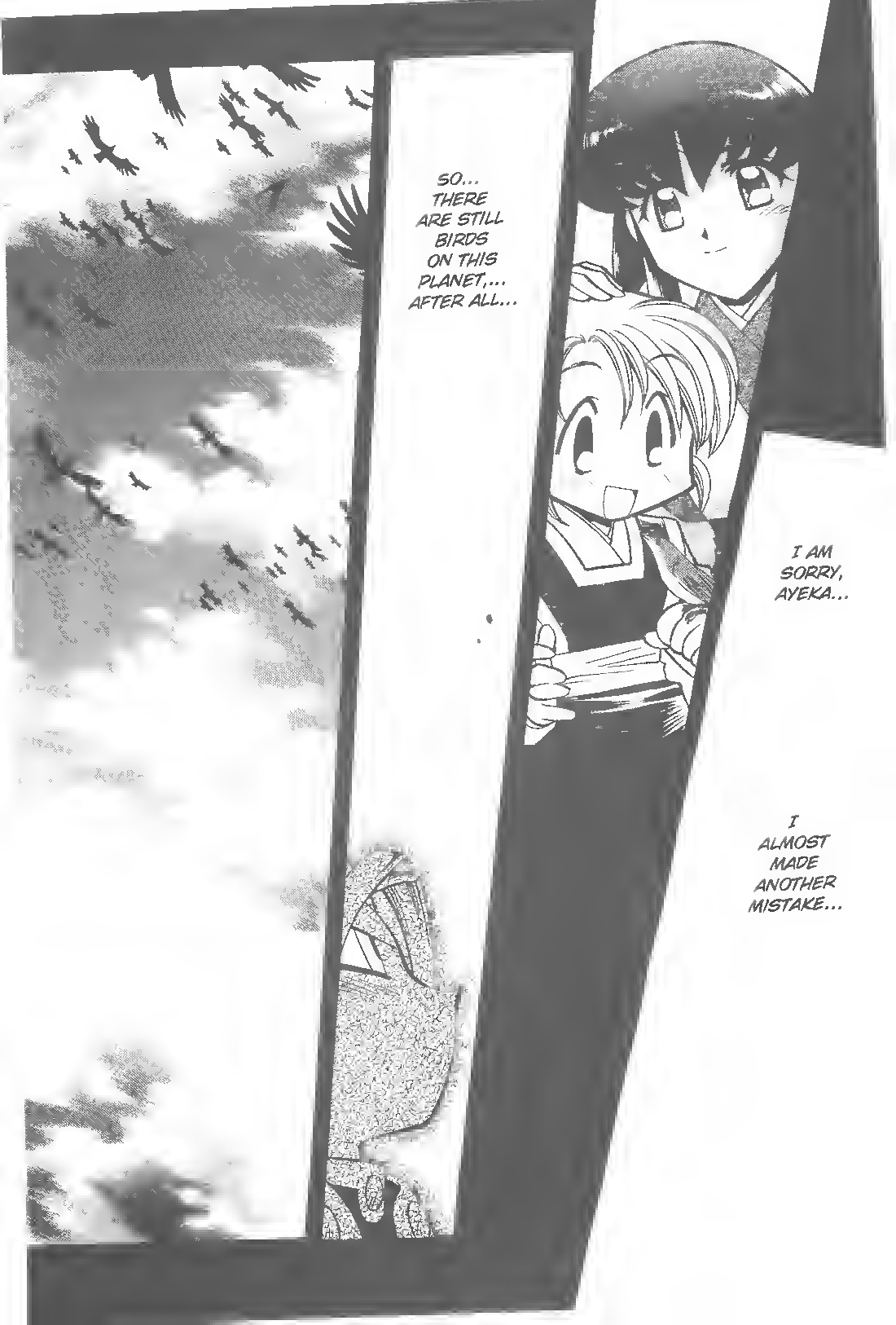

SO THAT WAS THAT, EH?
THE OKAYAMA PREFECTURE CRISIS WAS AVERTED BEFORE ITS CITIZENS EVEN KNEW ABOUT IT...
HMM?
WHAT'S THE MATTER, AYEKA?

THIS WHOLE THING... IT'S MADE ME STOP AND THINK...
GARYU WAS A LOT LIKE ME, RYOKO. I'M ALWAYS FIGHTING WITH YOU OVER LORD TENCHI, NEVER THINKING OF HIS FEELINGS...
I'M GOING TO TRY TO PLACE HIS FEELINGS FIRST FROM NOW ON...


SO... THERE ARE STILL BIRDS ON THIS PLANET,... AFTER ALL...
I AM SORRY, AYEKA...
I ALMOST MADE ANOTHER MISTAKE...

HEY!
RYOKO, THAT WAS MY ROLLED OMELET.
(A)
HEH! FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!
(R)
WHAT DID YOU SAY, YOU BIG-MOUTHED PIG!?
(A)
SIGH... THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, I GUESS...
(T)
MREOW!

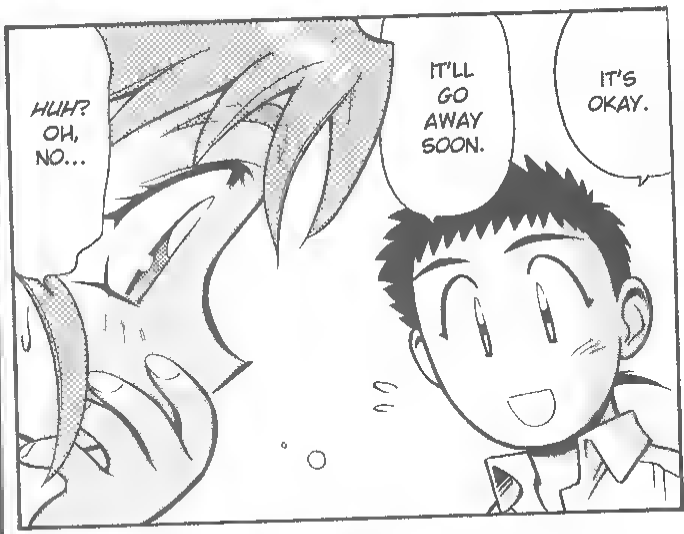
.....
NOT ME!
YOU CAN NEVER TELL WHAT PEOPLE ARE THINKING IF YOU DON'T TAKE THE INITIATIVE!
I DON'T WANT TENCHI TO DISLIKE ME...
...BUT I DON'T WANT TO LIE TO MYSELF, EITHER.
Hah
COME ON IN, YOU TWO-- DINNER'S ALMOST READY FOR THE TABLE!
GET IT WHILE IT'S HOT!
OOH, JUST IN TIME!

WHAT... WAS THAT?
WHA...?

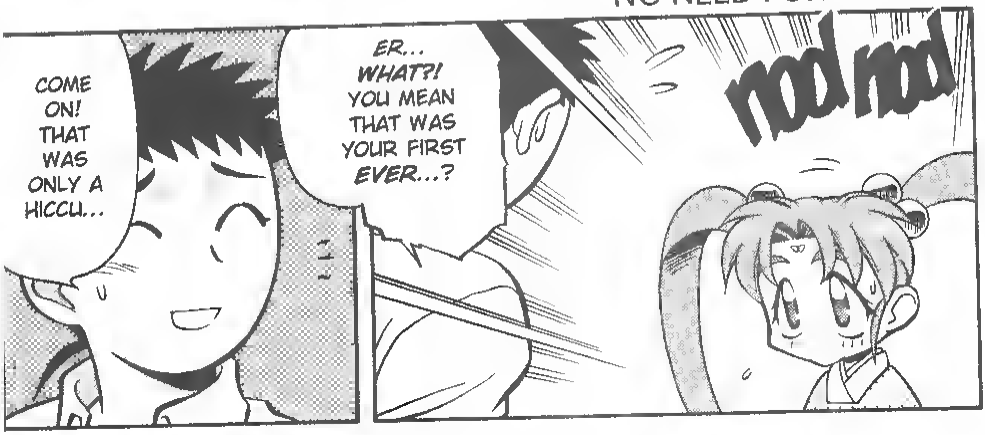
Tales of Tenchi #7:
HELP

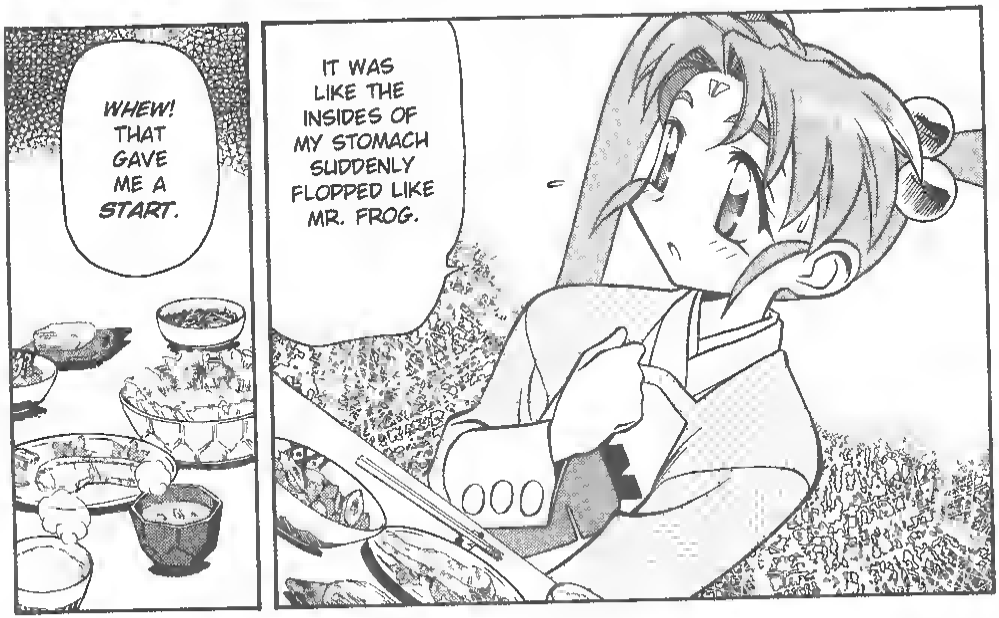
T-TENCHI... DOES THIS MEAN I CAUGHT SOME EARTH DISEASE?
NO, NO. IT'S TEMPORARY-- CAUSED BY A SPASM OF THE DIAPHRAGM.
I-I NEVER KNEW...

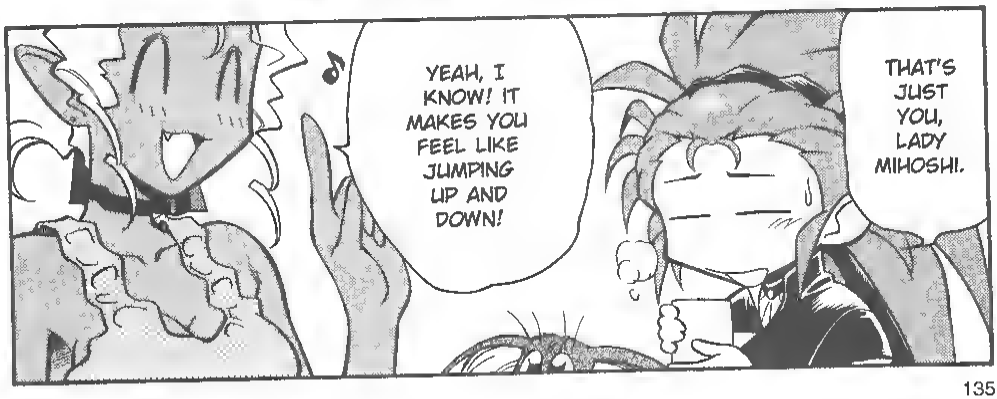
hic


HUH? OH, NO...
IT'LL GO AWAY SOON.
IT'S OKAY.

Y-YEAH, IT'LL STOP IF YOU SWALLOW SOME RICE WITHOUT CHEWING.
IDIOT
THAT'S HOW YOU GET RID OF TINY FISH BONES IN YOUR THROAT.

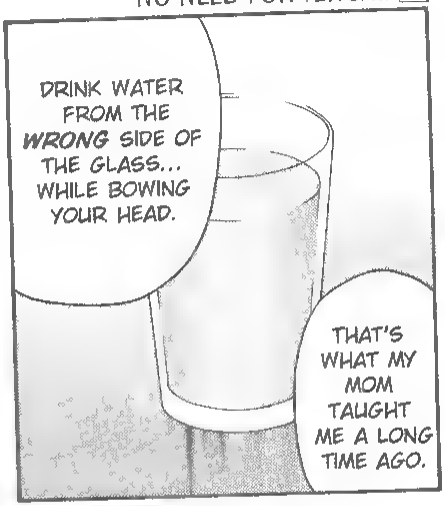

COME ON! THAT WAS ONLY A HICCU...
ER... WHAT?! YOU MEAN THAT WAS YOUR FIRST EVER...?
nod nod

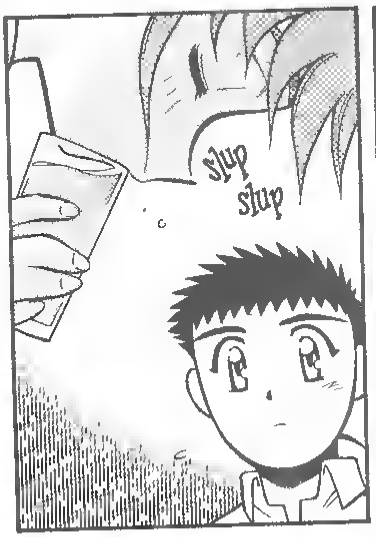

WHEW! THAT GAVE ME A START.
IT WAS LIKE THE INSIDES OF MY STOMACH SUDDENLY FLOPPED LIKE MR. FROG.


YEAH, I KNOW! IT MAKES YOU FEEL LIKE JUMPING UP AND DOWN!
THAT'S JUST YOU, LADY MIHOSHI.

(AND THE LOSER DOES A MONTH'S WORTH OF CHORES FOR THE OTHER! WHA'DAYASAY?)
AH!
(H-H-HOW COULD YOU!? BET ON MY LITTLE SISTER'S ILLNESS... YOU'RE A MONSTER!)
YOU ARE NO FUN.
TENCHI SAID SHE'S NOT SICK.
ALL RIGHT, THEN! LET'S DO IT!
count me in!

I-I'LL GO FIND US SOME EXPERTS TO ASK!
WHO'S AN IDIOT?!
IDIOOT!
SHE'S OUTTA HERE.
YOOM


DRINK WATER FROM THE WRONG SIDE OF THE GLASS... WHILE BOWING YOUR HEAD.
THAT'S WHAT MY MOM TAUGHT ME A LONG TIME AGO.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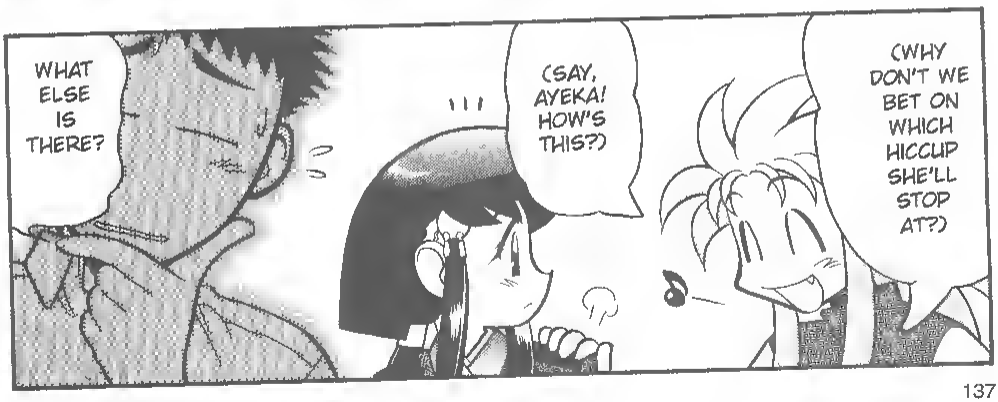
HOW IS IT NOW?
DID IT STOP?

.....
NOPE. NO GOOD.
OKAY.
THAT ONE DIDN'T WORK.

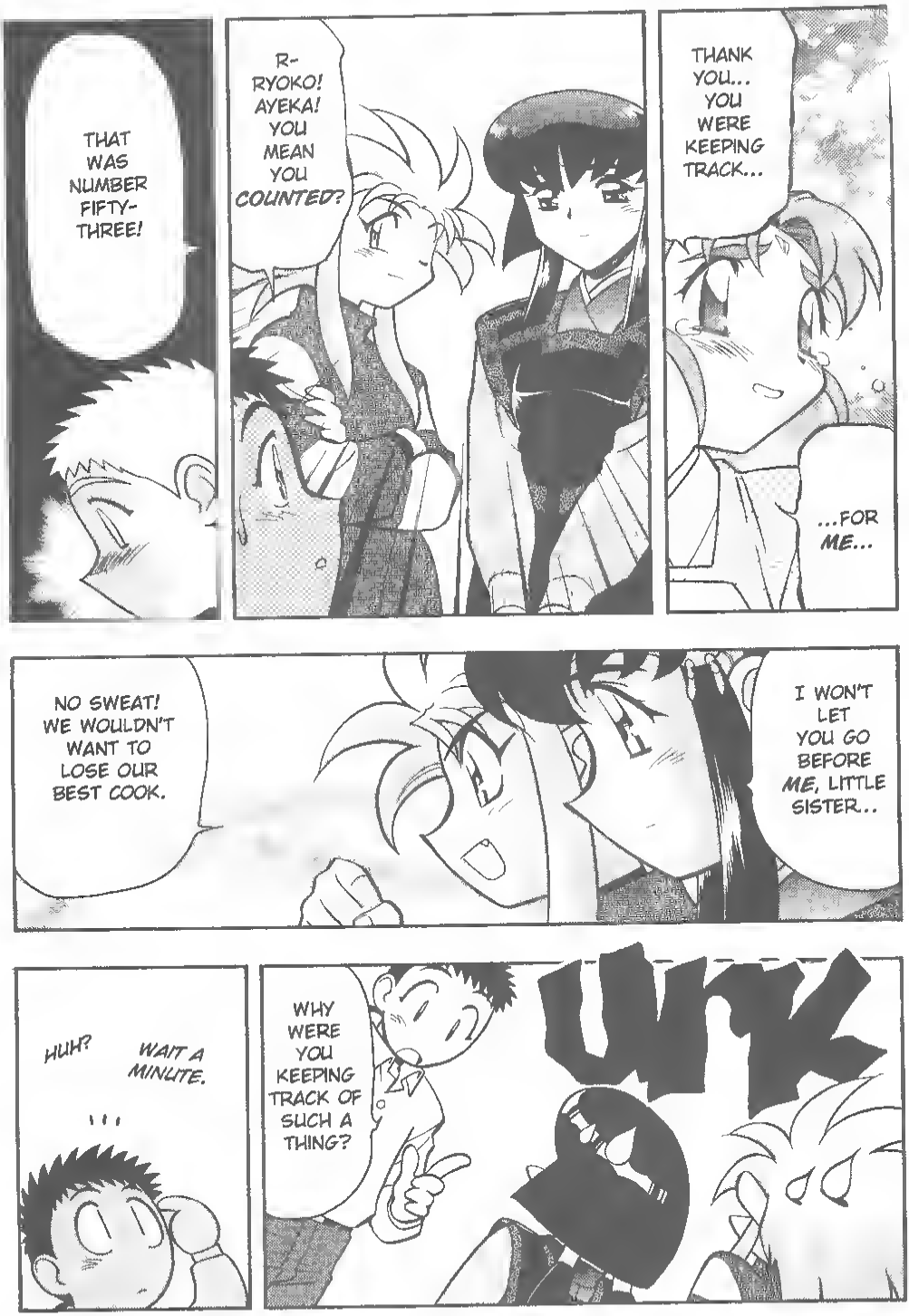

WHAT ELSE IS THERE?
(SAY, AYEKA! HOW'S THIS?)
(WHY DON'T WE BET ON WHICH HICCUP SHE'LL STOP AT?)

THEY SAY THAT YOU'LL *DIE* IF YOU HICCUP ONE HUNDRED TIMES IN A ROW...
SEVENTY PEOPLE HAVE DIED IN THE PAST THIRTY YEARS...
IT'S THE MODERN MYSTERY DISEASE-- HASN'T BEEN SOLVED, EVEN NOW...
.....
HEH! JUST A JOKE!
I WAS ONLY KIDDING.
NOBODY COULD DIE FROM THE HICCUPS!
THE STORY JUST MEANS...
...THAT YOU COULDN'T POSSIBLY CONTINUE TO HICCUP THAT LONG.
SHE DIDN'T HEAR THAT..

MEAN-
WHILE,
IN FAR
HYPER-
SPACE...
I
USED
TO
SUCK
ON
HARD
CANDY...
HARD
CANDY?
YOU'RE
SURE
WELL
VERSED
CAPTAIN-
.....
I
WISH YOU
WOULDN'T
USE THE
POLICE
COM-LINES
FOR
PERSONAL
PURPOSES...
sorb sorb
SPEAKING
OF HICCUPS
HAVE YOU
HEARD
OF THIS
ONE?

H-H-HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT IN FRONT OF THE AFFLICTED?!
EEP! YOU'RE RIGHT-- I-I'M SORRY!
WHO TOLD YOU THAT ANYWAY?
URBAN MYTH?
MAYBE IT'S ONLY FOR ALIENS.
OH, BUT THE GALAXY POLICE CAPTAIN SAID SO.
HOW CAN THAT...
SASAMI...
TELL ME, TENCHI...
A-AM I...
AM I...
GOING TO DIE...?

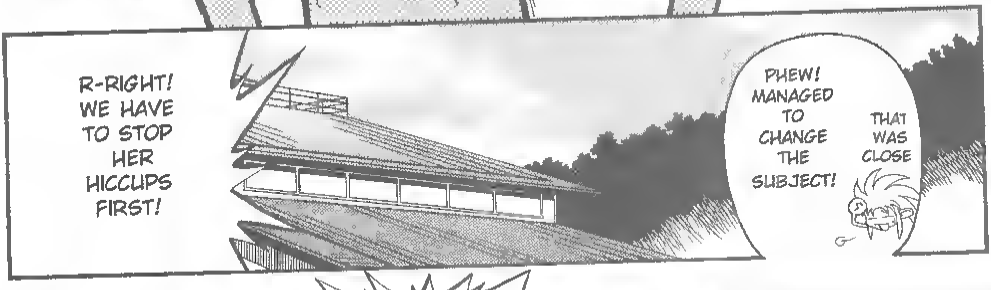
I'LL GO RESEARCH AN EFFECTIVE WAY TO STOP IT.
SLAM
OH, NO! OH, NO! OH, NO!
WHAT'S THE MATTER, MIHOSHI?
C-C-CALM DOWN! TAKE IT EASY!
eepeep
STRAIGHTEN OUT YOUR HEARTBEAT AND SEE WHAT DAY IT IS!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SHOULD CALM DOWN.
WHAAAAAT?!


THAT WAS NUMBER FIFTY-THREE!
R-RYOKO! AYEKA! YOU MEAN YOU COUNTED?
THANK YOU... YOU WERE KEEPING TRACK...
...FOR ME...
NO SWEAT! WE WOULDN'T WANT TO LOSE OUR BEST COOK.
I WON'T LET YOU GO BEFORE ME, LITTLE SISTER...
HUH?
WAIT A MINUTE.
...
WHY WERE YOU KEEPING TRACK OF SUCH A THING?
URK

SASAMI...
IT'S TRUE--IT SHOULD'VE STOPPED BY NOW...
BUT NOW'S NOT THE TIME TO THINK ABOUT THAT.
IT'S OKAY, SASAMI.
WE'LL JUST HAVE TO STOP IT BEFORE THE 100TH HICCUP...
THAT'S ALL.
sniff
sob
BUT... BUT I...
...I HAVEN'T BEEN COUNTING... WE WON'T KNOW UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE...

BUT, SADLY, IT WAS TO NO AVAIL...
HIC!
NINETY-EIGHT...
ISN'T THERE...
ISN'T THERE ANOTHER WAY...?
WAIT! THE MOST IMPORTANT ONE!
WHAT? WHAT?!
...AND SO IT MIGHT STOP IF WE REALLY STARTLE HER..
BUT TWO MORE TIMES AND IT'S OVER! WE'D HAVE TO SCARE HER GOOD.
YEAH, SO MUCH THAT SHE'D HAVE A HEART ATTACK...

Um Um th-that's because
hic
ACK! FIFTY-FOUR!

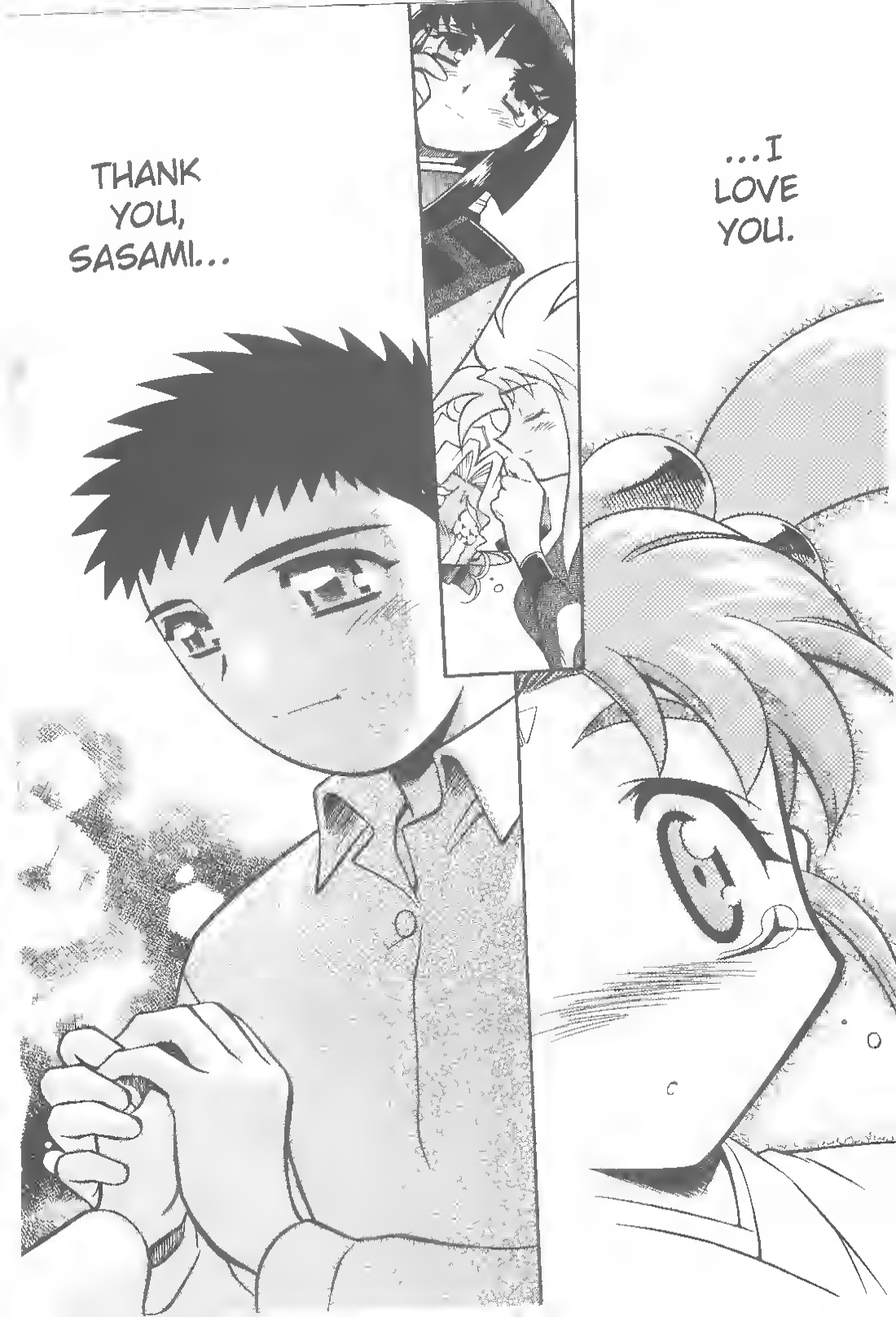

R-RIGHT! WE HAVE TO STOP HER HICCUPS FIRST!
PHEW! MANAGED TO CHANGE THE SUBJECT!
THAT WAS CLOSE

AFTER THAT, THEY TRIED EVERY TRICK IN THE BOOK...
ooh
SWALLOWING SUGAR WITHOUT MELTING IT IN THE MOUTH.
DRINKING STEEPED PERSIMMON TEA.
RAISING ONE HAND WHILE HOLDING UP THE WRIST WITH THE OTHER HAND.
THINKING OF AN EGG-PLANT.

T-TENCHI...
SASAMI... JUST ONE MORE HICCUP... AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN.
BUT I JUST WANTED TO TELL YOU THIS.
YOU MEAN SO MUCH TO ME...
YOU NEVER COMPLAIN... NO...YOU *HAPPILY* TAKE OVER ALL THE HOUSEWORK...
WE'VE BEEN SAVED BY YOUR SMILE, SASAMI...SO MANY TIMES, THAT'S ALL WE'VE HAD...

YOU IDIOT! WHAT'S THE USE OF THAT?
BW
AM
PC
OH, NO.
NINETY...
...N-NINE...
SASAMI...

ALL RIGHT. ENOUGH OF THIS SILLY NON-SENSE.
NO ONE DIES FROM HICCUPS. OLD WIVES' TALE.
BUT YOUR WORDS STOPPED THEM, SO ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL.
THAT'S NOT WHY I...

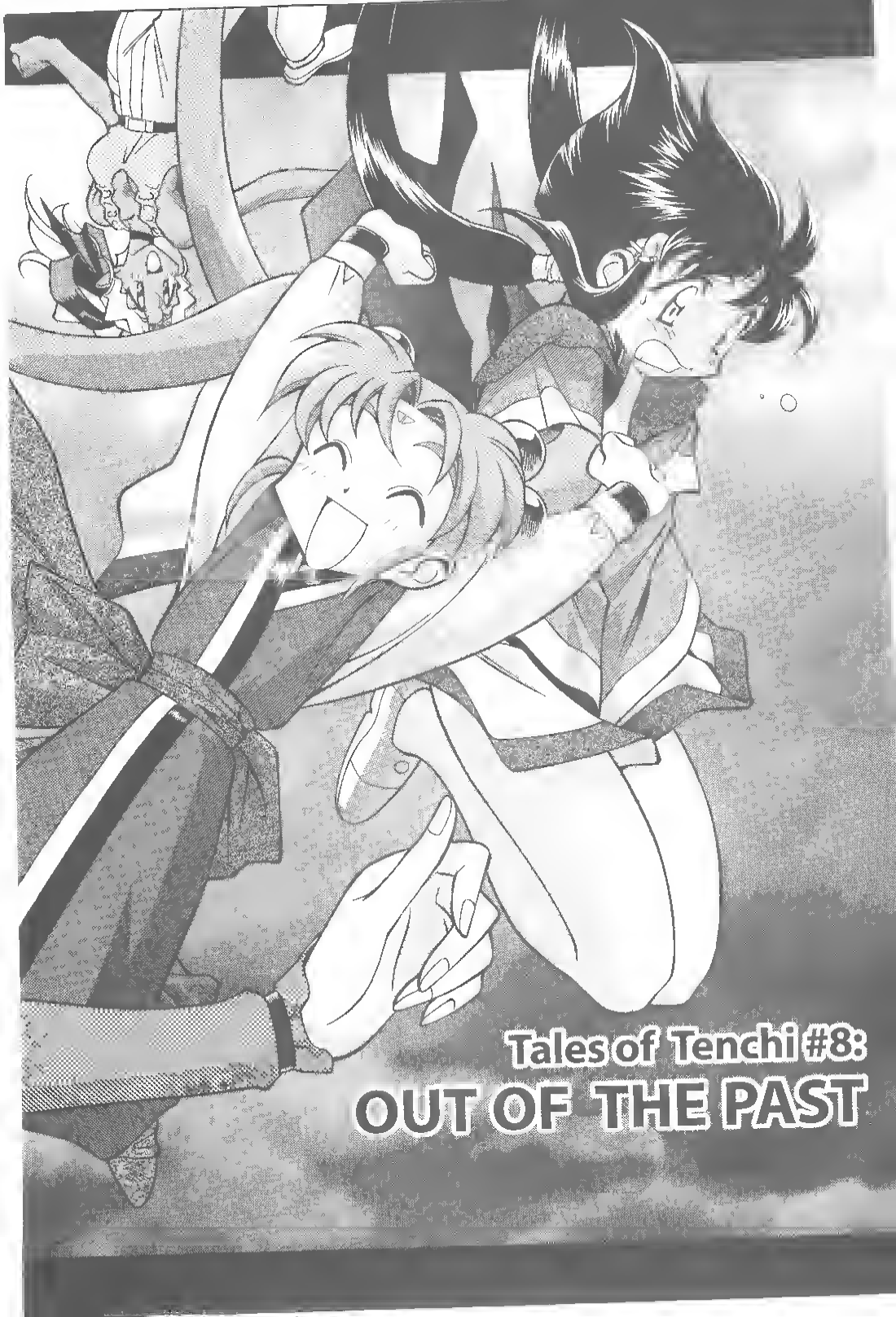

THANK YOU, SASAMI...
...I LOVE YOU.

...AT THE SAME TIME...
I NEVER WANTED TO STAY ALIVE SO MUCH...

SO WHERE IS SHE?
SHE WAS TIRED OUT, SO I THINK SHE'S ASLEEP ALREADY.
I HOPE SHE'S HAVING A GOOD DREAM...
I SEE.
SAY... RYO-OH-KI...
MYEOW?
WHAT HE SAID...
WHEN TENCHI TOLD ME THAT HE LOVED ME... I FELT SO GLAD.
I THOUGHT I COULD DIE HAPPILY RIGHT THEN...
...AND YET...
0 0 0

AHHH! HAVEN'T BEEN HERE IN A WHILE...
COME TO THINK OF IT... THIS IS WHERE I FIRST MET TENCHI...

GALAXY POLICE PURSUIT VESSEL SOLAR SYSTEM, NEAR MARS...
NO READING ON THE SENSORS!
DAMN! WE'VE TOTALLY LOST IT!
CAN'T BE HELPED... WE'LL HAVE TO FILE AN INVESTIGATION REQUEST AT ONCE.
UM...
WHO'S IN CHARGE IN THIS SOLAR SYSTEM?
TH-THE OFFICER MIHOSHI, FIRST CLASS?!
W-WE'RE DOOMED!
DOOM
tee hee
Solar System Special Region Independent Security Officer
Mihoshi Kuramitsu


Tales of Tenchi #8:
OUT OF THE PAST

KA, KA, KA!
I FIGURED YOU'D NOTICE.
FWSH
WHERE'S THE GP WHEN YOU NEED 'EM?
HMPH! CAN'T BELIEVE THEY'D TAKE SO LONG TO CATCH TWO SMALL FRY LIKE YOU.
LET'S SEE-- HOKOKU...
SHAAAA
...AND TAMA, WAS IT?

SHE
EEEO
OO
.....
AND WHAT DO YOU WANT?

AHA
FIGHT
WHY, YOU EVEN KILLED YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY!
THAT YOUR HOBBY-- IS MURDER...!

KA, KA, KA!
HONORED YOU REMEMBER THE NAMES OF SUCH SMALL FRY.
HOW ABOUT IT, WANT TO LEND US A HAND?
JUST FOR OLD TIMES' SAKE...
AH, YES! OLD TIMES...
(RYOKO)
I RECALL ONE MORE THING.
OH?
...
WHIP
YES!
SHWIP

KA, KA, KA, KA!
YOU BASTARD...
YAP!
LAY ONE FINGER ON TENCHI AND YOU'RE IN FOR IT!
SO THE GOSSIP WAS TRUE!
THAT GOT SOME LIFE BACK IN YOUR EYES!
YOW!
ZWOOP

SCREECH
YEEK!
I CAN'T?
BE GONE.
WH-WHAT...!? THAT'S RATHER KIND FOR A WOMAN KNOWN GALAXY-WIDE AS "THE FIEND OF DESTRUCTION."
STILL, YOU CAN'T REFUSE US.
I KNOW YOU'VE GONE CLEAN.
SPACE PIRATE GOSSIP--- HEAR IT ALL OVER.
AND ALL FOR THE LOVE OF SOME "MAN."
TENCHI BY NAME...
HOT

WHERE ARE YOU?
RYOKO! TIME FOR DINNER...
TENCHI...
FWSH!
WHOA
SLOO
RG

IF YOU LOVE HIM SO MUCH, THEN YOU DON'T WANT HIM TO KNOW-- DO YOU?
ABOUT YOUR BLOOD-SOAKED PAST--YOU AND THAT HEARTLESS KILLER RYO-OH-KI...
...PLUNDERING CULTURAL ARTIFACTS AND MERCILESSLY KILLING ANYONE WHO GOT IN YOUR WAY?!
SH- SHUT UP, SHUT UP, SHUT UP!
HMM?
AH, WHAT DELIGHT-FULLY PERFECT TIMING.
!

I DO KNOW...
...THA' I LOVE MOM MORE THAN ANYONE
ONE YEAR..
RYOKO!
DON'T GET MAD.
I ANALYZED THAT SHADOW FIELD. IF YOU'D GRABBED HER AND PULLED, LADY AYEKA WOULD HAVE BEEN RIPPED IN TWO!
...ONLY A FLEETING MOMENT COMPARED TO THE THOUSANDS OF YEARS I CAN LIVE.
A- ARE YOU OKAY?
WAKE UP AND HELP!
BUT...
I WILL NOT TAKE PITY FROM THOSE WHO SIDE WITH TENCHI MASAKI!

TENCHI...
KA, KA, KA! DON'T MOVE, YOU.
SLK
SPRK
TAMA'S TENTACLES CAN ENTER THE TARGET'S BRAIN AND MANIPULATE IT AT WILL.
YOU..
...YOU BASTARDS!
grrrr
NOW, NOW! DON'T FRET...
THE LOOT WE'RE AFTER IS ABOUT, OH... SIX EARTH MONTHS AWAY.
YOU CAN GO GRAB IT AND RETURN WITHIN THE YEAR! IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'LL BE SEPARATED FOREVER...
JUST AGREE, AND WE'LL LET YOUR MAN GO.

WHAT DO I DO?
TUMP
SHAAA
SO MUCH TO PONDER!
HAVE YOU REACHED A DECISION?

...I CAN'T JUST LET THE NICE BIKERS DIE...
...THE DAYS ON EARTH...
SORRY. IT'S JUST THAT...
WELL, I'VE NOTICED THAT YOUR EXPRESSIONS HAVE GOTTEN KINDER-- COMPARED TO HOW YOU WERE BEFORE...
EVEN IF YOU REMEMBER EVERYTHING WHAT HAVE YOU GOT TO LOSE?
TENCHI!
...SEEM SO PRECIOUS. I CAN'T IMAGINE LIVING APART FROM TENCHI-- FROM EVERYONE-- ANYMORE...

IT'S TIME TO SHOW HIM...
...YOUR BLOOD-STAINED PAST!
BUBA!
GYAH...
BLUP
SLIP
TENCHI!
I TOLD YOU NOT TO MOVE.
AH!
AH!
DON'T YOU VALUE HIS LIFE?!
FORCE HIM OFF NOW, AND HIS BRAIN WILL BE DAMAGED.
UNGH...!
D-DAMN IT!

.....
...YOU.
HMM?
I SAID, I'M NOT GONNA HELP YOU!
NOW LET MY TENCHI GO!
EEK!
I-I SEE! DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE SO DUMB...
GRR...
OUR THREATS ARE NOT IDLE, RYOKO.
HERE, LET US PROVE IT.
DON'T YOU MOVE, NOW. HE'LL DIE.

Beep

WHAT'S THIS...?
IMAGES-- FLOWING INTO MY HEAD?!
I KNOW! THIS IS WHEN RYOKO WAS BEING MANIPULATED BY KAGATO...
...?
...RYOKO?
!

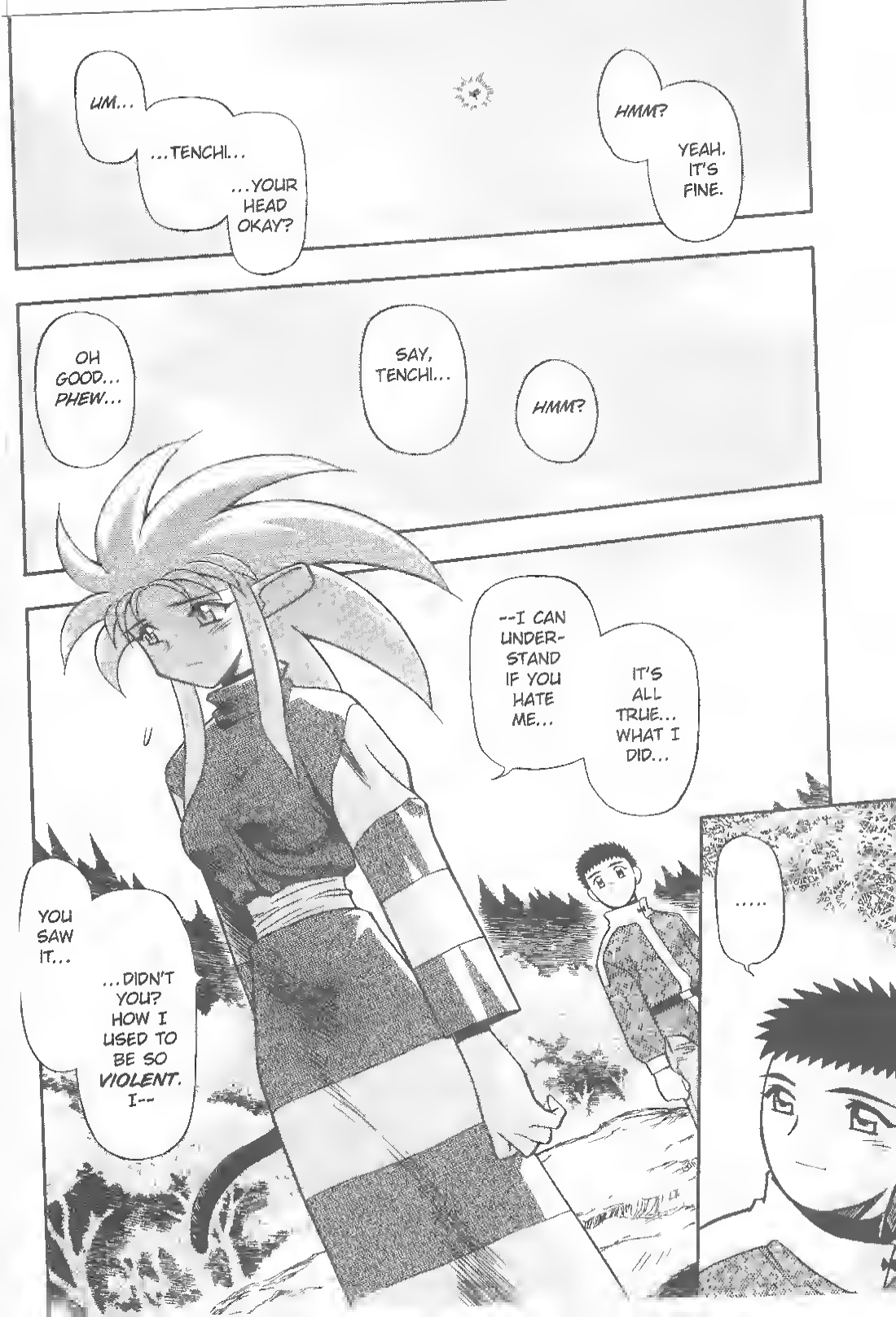
YOU CAN'T TOY WITH PEOPLE'S PASTS...
...MAKE THEIR HEARTS AND SOULS YOUR PLAY-THINGS!
GLAH...
OH...
...TENCHI...

STOP IT...
WE'VE HAD ENOUGH...!

DOOM
ACK!
I-I'M SORRY! WE GIVE UP!
SHLUPP
P-PLEASE! D-DON'T KILL ME!
DON'T WORRY... I SWORE I WOULDN'T KILL AGAIN.
HIT HIM HARD! IT'S OKAY!
BUT THERE ARE WORSE FATES...
HA!
HA, HA...
OH, COME ON...
I'LL GO ESCORT THE PERPS!
SHE
sigh!

BOOM
WHAM
SPLASH
EEK!

...I ALREADY KNEW.
WHAT...?
MAYBE I SHOULD'VE TOLD YOU...
IT WAS A WHILE AGO. WASHU THOUGHT I SHOULD KNOW...
I GUESS THAT TOOK EVEN YOU ABACK, LORD TENCHI.
NOW... DO YOU KNOW WHY I TOLD YOU ABOUT RYOKO'S PAST?
UM, WELL... NO...

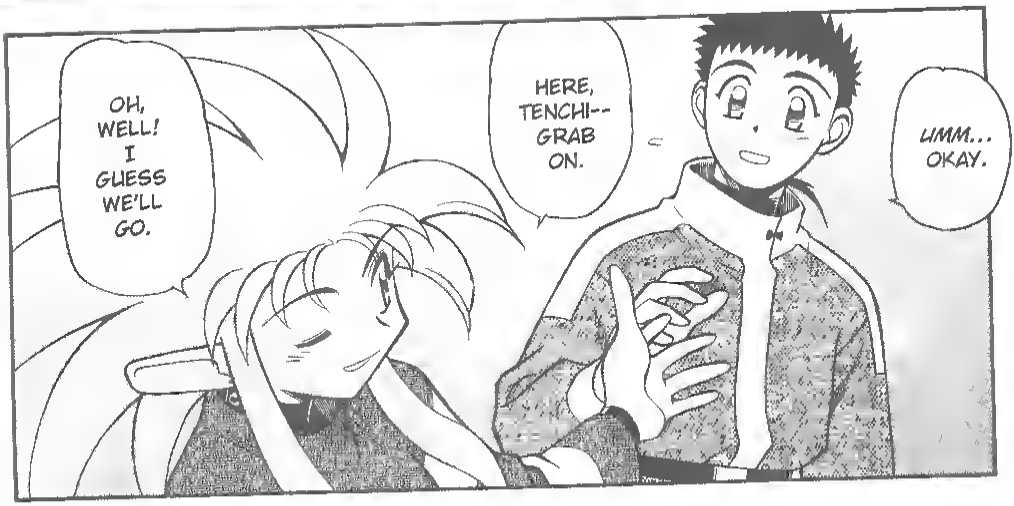

UM...
...TENCHI...
...YOUR HEAD OKAY?
HMM?
YEAH. IT'S FINE.
OH GOOD... PHEW...
SAY, TENCHI...
HMM?
--I CAN UNDER-STAND IF YOU HATE ME...
IT'S ALL TRUE... WHAT I DID...
YOU SAW IT...
...DIDN'T YOU? HOW I USED TO BE SO VIOLENT. I--
.....

THE RYOKO I KNOW? SHE'S AN HONEST SOUL...
...AND THAT'S ENOUGH.
YOU...
TENCHI...
OH! THERE YOU ARE!

BECAUSE I *KNOW* YOU-- KNOW YOU CAN ACCEPT HER..
...EVERY *PART* OF HER.. WITHOUT ANY COVER-UP.
EVEN THOUGH SHE WAS BEING MANIPULATED BY KAGATO, DIDN'T HAVE HER OWN EGO, THOSE CRIMES WON'T GO AWAY. RYOKO WILL LIVE WITH THAT TRUTH...FOREVER.
.....
BUT SHE IS...
I *KNOW*, WASHU...
MY *OWN* TRUTH... IN MY OWN WAY.

I CAN'T IMAGINE LIVING APART FROM TENCHI...
...FROM EVERYONE... ANYMORE...
THE END

THE DAYS ON EARTH...



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